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Mayoral Candidates Address Homophobia, Budget Woes

Jordan

BAR: The perception that some of your supporters are anti-gay is frightening to the gay community. Why does this element support you? If you are elected, what will you do to allay our fears?

JORDAN: I won't wait until I'm in office, I'll do it right now. I speak out on it all the time. If anyone is prejudicial or bigoted for whatever reasons against cultures, religions or lifestyles, there's no sons against cultures, religions or lifestyles, there's no room in my campaign for them. I can't control every single individual who's voting (Continued on page 13)



Frank Jordan



Agnos

BAR:How do you address your reputation for vindictive-

ness?

AGNOS: I think that is a political strategy that's been developed by my political enemies in the Firefighters Union who didn't like my tough stands in the Fire Department to end prejudice in the Fire Department as manifested by the racist and prejudiced acts there. If you trace where that came from, it came from Warren Hinckle, who's from Warren Hinckle, who's been writing a column every other day above the fold of the *Independent*, and all of that

Bay Area Reporter News Editor Jeff Boswell and Assistant News Editor Ben Carlson recently interviewed Mayor Art Agnos and challenger Frank Jordan about the critical issues facing voters in next week's runoff election. The text of those interviews follows.

started with that.

started with that.

When you take them on,
whether it's John Doolittle,
Lyndon LaRouche, or white
firefighters' unions who are
putting swastikas on black
firefighters' lockers, you have
to be tough. There is no nice
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Sharp Rise In Hepatitis

Health Dept. Warns Against Rimming

by Dennis Conkin

The San Francisco Health

The San Francisco Health Department reports a sharp increase in the number of reported cases of hepatitis A among gay men and warns the rise may be because oral-anal sex practices.

Although Dr. Frances Taylor, M.D., director of the Health Department's Bureau of Epidemiology and Disease Control, would not characterize the increase as an outbreak, she is very concerned about the increase.

"It's a very large increase in the number of cases reported as compared to last year. The increase began to show up around the middle of September," she told the Bay Area Reporter.

This year, Taylor said, 350 cases have been reported to the Health Department compared to 254 last year.

"It looks to me like a larger percent of cases among gay men than previously. There

er percent of cases among gay men than previously. There are more cases than we ex-pected to see. It's probably as-

sociated with rimming," she said.

The major symptoms of hepatitis A are a flulike illness, nausea, abdominal pain, often accompanied by vomiting, fever and jaundice. There is no treatment for the disease, which rups its course in ease, which runs its course in about two weeks. But it can be fatal.

Hepatitis is spread through cal contamination of water d food.

and food.

Strict hygiene, including thorough hand washing and not engaging in oral-anal sex practices, can help prevent the spread of the organism.

However, Taylor said, people with hepatitis A can spread the disease for about a week before they have symptoms of the illness.

The increase in hepatitis A is not linked with any food or eating establishment and is not located in any specific neighborhood.

Physicians are required to report cases of hepatitis A to the Health Department.





Milk March No. 13

Mayor Agnos joined 1,000 others marching from the Castro to City Hall Nov. 27 on the 13th anniversary of the assassination of Sup. Harvey Milk and Mayor George Moscone.



Gay Radio Show Debuts in L.A. by Karen Ocamb



"Queer" L.A. radio host Connie Norman

LOS ANGELES - Eight

LOS ANGELES — Eight minutes before show time Connie Norman sang a song to the Goddess. "I feel humbleness, excitement and abject terror," Norman said on opening night of the first live, nightly lesbian and gay commercial radio talk show in the United States

But when Norman took the microphone for Holly-wood's XEK, she was in con-trol: "Welcome to queer radio, Southern California. Get

used to it."
Norman, best known as an AIDS activist and member of ACT UP/Los Angeles, wasted no time in telling the listening audience who was running the show.
"I'm an ex-IV drug addict, ex-drag queen, ex-prostitute" who was thrown out of her family because "they couldn't deal with the fact that I was a transsexual," Norman said on the air.

transsexual, Norman said on the air.

Norman revealed that she is also HIV positive and hap-pily married to a man with whom she cares for five Hi-

First of Two Sections

malayan cats.
Rich Jennings, the executive director of the Los Angeles chapter of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, came up with the idea for the call-in show, which David Reid is producing.

ing.

The Center, which had helped Norman when she was on the streets as a "high-risk youth," served as the remote studio for the inaugural show.

The first night's show was marred by technical glitches (Continued on page 15)

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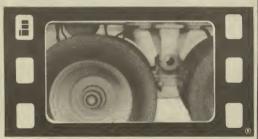
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Community News

Macy's Response to HIV Santa Triggers Call for Boycott

by Dennis Conkin

Human Rights Campaign Fund Director Tim McFeeley called the response of Macy's department store to a lawsuit by an HIV-infected man who wasturned down for a job as a Christmas Santa "sufficient cause for fair-minded people to boycott" the department

store.
The conglomerate last year refused to rehire Mark Woodley at its 34th Street store in New York City when it learned that Woodley was HIV positive.
Woodley, 42, who has been asymptomatic HIV-positive for five years, was initially asked to return but after he acknowledged on a pre-em-

acknowledged on a pre-employment medical question-naire that he was taking AZT for HIV infection and Prozac for depressive illness, the corporation refused to assign him a job as a Santa.

Offered a job supervising Santas at a higher salary,

Woodley turned down the position because it precluded contact with children, the reason he applied for the job in the first place.

A. David Brown, a Macy's vice president, called concern about Woodley's situation "misplaced and based on misinformation" and said that he

information" and said that he shouldn't be around children, not because of HIV infection, but because he was taking the medication Prozac, a controversial anti-depressant.

Macy's attempted to claim that the treatment for depresthat the treatment for depression caused violent mood swings and personality changes and that Woodley could become violent. That claim, according to Woodley's attorney, Margaret Winter, and medical experts who filed briefs in the lawsuit is "scientifically indefensible."

Macy's said that it also refused to rehire Woodley after the company learned in pretrial evidence that Woodley was a recovering addict and

said he lied about the use of drugs on his employment record.

Woodley is suing the firm for more than \$3 million for damages and suffering.

An attempt by Macy's to block the suit last week failed when a 'New York State Supreme Court judge ruled Woodley's lawsuit could proceed and that the corporation had violated the law by requiring applicants to state whether they had ever used illegal drugs.

McFeeley said that the department store's attacks on Woodley were "punitive and vicious" and indicated a callous prejudice against gay

vicious" and indicated a cal-lous prejudice against gay people, people with AIDS, people with disabilities and people who are in recovery from substance abuse.

"Your behavior makes the dunces who portrayed Macy's management in *Miracle on 34th Street* look enlight-

(Continued on page 27)



Activists from ACT UP's Golden Gate and San Francisco chapters march on state Sen. Quen-

World AIDS Day Action

ACT UP Targets Kopp Over Opposition to Needle Exchange

by Rachel Timoner

More than 45 activists from ACT UP/Golden Gate and ACT UP/San Francisco marked World AIDS Day Dec. 1 by marching to state Sen. Quentin Kopp's home in the Sunset District.

ACT UP's theme for World AIDS Day 1991 was needle exchange, drug use and addiction.

According to Irwin Keller

and addiction.

According to Irwin Keller of ACT UP, more than 70 percent of infections in women and children will start with a dirty needle.

A Yale University study shows that needle exchange reduces infection by 30 percent and does not increase drup use.

cent and does not increase drug use.

New Haven, Conn., New York City, Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., have all sanctioned needle exchange.

The activists targeted Kopp to protest his blockage

of Sen. Diane Watson's needle-exchange bill of 1989, and to urge his support for needle exchange in the next legislative session.

Kopp spoke out against needle exchange in 1989, stat-ing that needle exchange is a fad, and that the answer in-stead is to step up arrests of drug users

But activists are planning to reintroduce the legislation, and they need Kopp's sup-

As the group approached As the group approached Kopp's house carrying giant syringes and a large banner that read "Kopp Blocks Needle Exchange = 567 New Infections in 1991," and chanting, "Wake Up Quentin Kopp — addiction's curable, AIDS is not," they were confronted by 11 police officers barricading Kopp's home.

Limited to protesting on

Limited to protesting on the far side of the street, the activists banged on the barri-

cades, chanted and aimed a megaphone at Kopp's house. Keller explained why ACT UP was there.
"Sen. Kopp, we're at your home on World AIDS Day, a Sunday, because for people with AIDS there are no days off, no vacations. The president's Commission on AIDS endorses needle exchange. endorses needle exchange. Everybody representing San Francisco supports needle ex-

Mike Shriver, a volunteer for Prevention Point, a needle-exchange program in San Francisco, continued, "You are hereby put on notice— this can no longer take place in San Francisco. As long as you stand in the way of this moral imperative, you are a criminal. We're here to ask you to give a damn about HIV infection. Not to do so is genocide." genocide.'

The activists then per-(Continued on page 18)

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Community News

Coroner Confirms Death At Peter Claver Was Suicide

The San Francisco County coroner has determined that the death of Steven Rosheim at the Peter Claver AIDS community Oct. 9 was a sui-

community Oct. 9 was a surcide.

The coroner's report listed the mode of death as "apparent suicide" resulting from poisoning by the antidepressant drug nortriptyline, brand name Pamelor.

Although no suicide note was found, Rosheim, a gay man from a broken home in Minneapolis, had had a long history of depression, alcoholism and suicide attempts.

For the last three years of his life, he was a resident of Peter Claver Community, a domicile run by Catholic Charities for people with ARC or AIDS and at risk of being homeless.

Rosheim's death had been a controversial matter at Peter Claver, with many residents holding the administra-

ter Claver, with many residents holding the administra-tion at least partly responsi-

is not clear where eim's unmonitored Rosheim's unmonitored Pamelor stockpile came from. Rosheim had no alcohol in his blood at the time of his death according to the coroner's

"Nobody had any control of what he brought into his room," said Claver Director Julia Dickinson. "This is like an SRO (single room occupancy) hotel."

Residents have claimed that Rosheim was pushed to-ward suicide by his case manward suicide by his case man-ager at Claver, who wanted him out. Rosheim had be-come more withdrawn and returned to drinking last spring, after the death of a close friend at the residence.

"Steven told me that (the case manager) complained he was just taking up space, us-ing Peter Claver as a flop house," said one longtime acquaintance.

A Claver success story

who voluntarily left the house because he felt he now had his life under control, this man nevertheless felt, "I al-ways found the staff took peo-ple's rights away. They just don't have the training to deal with the combination of mental disorders, alcohol and drug use, and the virus that people have there."

And Jerry Martinez, who was expelled from Peter was expelled from Peter Claver a year ago after a his-tory of confrontations with the staff, said, "About a month before he died, Steven told me that he was being pressured to leave and was thinking of taking an over-dose."

dose."

Dickinson counters that such charges are the result of a natural human tendency to find someone to blame in the midst of a catastrophe.
"We were encouraging

him to participate more in the community and we were helping raise funds to go to his family in Minnesota, (Continued on page 27)

Loiterers Targeted

by Dennis Conkin

A Bay Area Reporter reader who was attacked Nov. 23 by a mugger who followed him from a Safeway parking lot complains that security is lax at the Church Street site.

"He followed me and

Street site.

"He followed me and jumped on me across the street by the Gap at Clinton Park and Dolores and Market streets. He started hitting me in the head. I was knocked to the ground I acrosted my. the ground. I protected my head and yelled for help," A.R. Anderson said. "I man-A.K. Anderson said. I man-aged to get away from him and I got my whistle and started blowing it. "I kept blowing my whistle and he backed off a bit and

then started trying to get away from me and was run-ning but I pursued him across the parking lot, all the way up to the door of Safeway when he took off," Anderson

Anderson asked a Safeway security guard to call the police, but said that although the guard did, his response to the incident was "greatly apathetic." Police arrived moments later.

"They responded very well. They told me that they came in response to calls from neighbors that I was blowing my whistle," he said.

Anderson's glasses were scratched in the incident be-yond repair and he filed a

yond repair and he filed a claim preparatory to a suit against the corporation.

"I contacted the manager and he said that it was the neighborhood's fault, that there were bad people around. My point is that peo(Continued on page 27)



Giving Thanks

Volunteer Alan Selby helped to serve 1,500 diners, including people with AIDS, their families and friends, at the 8th annual Thanksgiving dinner sponsored jointly by the San Fran-cisco AIDS Foundation and Project Open Hand at the First Unitarian Church on Franklin St.

Rules for HIV+Health Workers to be Revised

Staff and Wire Reports

ATLANTA - Faced with overwhelming opposition from the medical community, the federal Centers for Disease Control said Dec. 4 it is revising its plan to list procedures that HIV-infected health care workers should

neath care workers should not perform.

"No final decision has been made," CDC press officer Bob Howard said, "and no new proposal has been issued."

The decision appears to validate criticism from medical and scientific professionals and AIDS activists that there is no scientific basis for the idea that HIV-infected health care workers who follow stan-dard infection-control procedures pose a threat to pa-

"The CDC has drafted revised recommendations for

preventing transmission of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and hepatitis-B virus (HBV) to patients during invasive surgery," the health agency said in a statement.

It said the revised recommendations were made after discussions with medical and dental organizations and other health-care providers.

"Medical science has triumphed over political hysteria," Paul Boneberg, director of Mobilization against AIDS, said. "It's ironic that the CDC is where the political hysteria said. "It's ironic that the CDC is where the political hysteria was coming from. It took physicians and health care workers outside that agency to calm them down and get them back on track and get them to drop their absurd prepagation."

But Howard denied pub-lished reports that the CDC (Continued on page 17)

Community News



Queer Nation members from San Francisco and the East Bay "queerify" the Sun Valley Mall

Concord Mall Holiday Shoppers Treated to Queer Nation Action

by Rachel Timoner

Holiday shoppers at a Concord mall Nov. 30 were treated to some unexpected enter-

tainment.
The excitement started at 1:30 p.m., when the Sun Valley Mall was inundated with more than 70 gay, lesbian, bimore than 70 gay, lesbian, bi-sexual and transgender ac-tivists decorated with Queer Nation stickers bearing state-ments like "Fear of a Queer Planet" and "Dykes Take Over the World." Hundreds of Concord-area shoppers, stopped, to a teach

Hundreds of Concord-area shoppers stopped to stare open-mouthed at the queer mall patrons. But the funfilled culture shock was just getting under way.

At precisely 3 p.m. the activists gathered near Santa under the big Christmas tree

to sing queer carols and show some queer affection. The central part of the mall came to a standstill as shoppers lined the balcony two deep to

see the show.

Most onlookers refused to comment on how the action made them feel, though their astonished comments to one

another were not too difficult to overhear.

One macho teen-ager ex-plained to his cool buddy in shock, "Dude, they're kiss-

ing!"
And a woman with two children gasped, "Oh my god! That woman has her eyebrow pierced!"
Glen Bates, who was dressed in Madonna drag, was approached by three little girls, the youngest of whom asked whether he was really a man. When he responded that he was, she asked why he dressed as a woman.

woman.
"I dress this way because a lot of adults don't like people who are different," Bates told her. "I want to let them know there are lots of people who are different."

A female mall security guard surreptitiously ap-proached a group of lesbians and showed them her rainbow rings that were hidden under her uniform. She asked for some Queer Nation stickers that she could wear when off duty.

when off duty.

Queers came out of the mall woodwork to watch the action. One dyke onlooker said, "I think this is wonderful, but I bet most people here don't think it's wonderful."

here don't think it's wonder-ful."

One college-age white male said he hoped "they all burn in hell" and yelled at some dykes, "Go to Mills College and whack your hair off."

But most shappers just

oft."
But most shoppers just stood looking awkward and surprised.
Organizers from Queer Nation East Bay said they targeted the Concord mall because Concord was the site of Mea-



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Sailors in Gay-Bashing Case **Charged With Contempt**

by Dennis Conkin

Four sailors charged in a March gay bashing were cited with contempt of court last week for failing to appear at a hearing in the matter.

Municipal Court Judge Lee

Municipal Court Judge Lee
Baxter ordered the sailors,
stationed aboard the U.S.S.
Abraham Lincoln, to jail
overnight when they failed to
appear on Nov. 26 for a hearing in the case.

Tyrone Wilson, Arthur
Ramirez, Brett Boyer and
Terry E. Scowder were
charged with assaulting Alex
Raymond with a deadly
weapon in a March 9 incident
on Market Street. They are
also charged with misdemeanor hate crimes for violating the California Ralph Act.
Raymond, according to the
police report, was stopped at

police report, was stopped at a red light at Market and 10th streets when the sailors approached his motor-cycle and began kicking and punching him.

One of the sailors allegedly kicked over Raymond's bike

and the rest jumped on and began beating and kicking him.
One of the sailors also attempted to rip a gold chain from Raymond's neck.

Raymond, according to the police report, escaped by running down Market Street. The sailors then fled. Raymond returned to his bike, followed the suspects, and flagged down a marked police

van.
Wilson was found hiding wilson was found hiding beside a car on McAllister Street, where he was arrested. He told police that the other three sailors were headed toward the East Bay Terminal to catch a bus back to the Alameda Naval Air Station where their ship was stationed

The suspects were apprehended and after making statements were booked at county jail for assault with a deadly weapon. The report noted that Wilson was drunk. The police report also noted that the sailors approached Raymond and called him a "fag"—and then threatened to

kill him.

The sailors are scheduled on the to appear in court on the charges later this week. Conviction on the felony assault with a deadly weapon charges could result in the sailors be-ing sentenced to state prison terms.

In addition, the sailors face discipline from the Navy, in-cluding possible military im-prisonment and dishonorable discharge. discharges.

discharges.

Bench warrants were issued earlier this year for the sailors, according to Assistant District Attorney Ken Cady, after they evaded justice by remaining on the Lincoln when it left port.

Cady told the Bay Area Reporter that the Navy was not helpful in bringing the sailors to justice and would only tell him that the ship was in the Western Pacific—its exact location "classified."

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Editorial

Agnos for Mayor

still seems strange to see this publication supporting Mayor Art Agnos for re-election. We have never been strong supporters of his. Now we find that we must put

aside our dislikes and fight for his election to a second four years in City Hall.

The whole question as to who to support involves leadership abilities. We believe Agnos shows that quality to a much better advantage than his opponent. He has been a strong leader during a very tough four years.

He has handled the AIDS crisis admirably, and was a hands-on administrator during the major earthquake that hit the city. He has handled most social and economic problems diligently and quickly.

the city. He has handled most social and economic problems diligently and quickly.

Agnos has been taking the heat for the homeless situation; it's as if he caused it personally. The homeless problem started under Gov. Ronald Reagan, escalated during his presidency and began manifesting itself in San Francisco under Mayor Dianne Feinstein. He has been addressing the problem of the homeless, and some parts of his programs are already in place. He has also been hard at work to try to put the rest of the pieces in place. His opponent would apply police type measures to try to correct the problem. You would think that as a former police chief Frank Jordan would realize that most of his solutions for the problem are not legal.

Agnos also gets blamed for the dirty streets of San Francisco. Who dirties the streets? We have watched as strollers through the Castro casually toss their garbage on the streets indifferently, then bitch because it's not cleaned up quickly. The street cleaning details are the milieu of the Chief Administrator's Office, and the subject of dirty streets should be addressed to that office, not the mayor's.

dressed to that office, not the mayor's.

Let's look at his opponent. Jordan has never held an elective dressed to that office, not the mayor.

Let's look at his opponent. Jordan has never held an elective office. He is an unproven commodity. He offers no solutions, no answers to any major problems. He did not address the homophobic and racial slurs surrounding him during his campaign headquarters party until much later, and then not to our satisfaction. Looking at his campaign literature we see many of those same wonderful supporters of Pete Wilson on his patrons. lists.

Agnos is not the perfect or ideal mayor. He has sometimes failed, but he has always stood up for what he thought was right. He has been and will always be the mayor for all communities in San Francisco, not just a representative for the conservative Sunset as is his opponent.

We believe what Agnos says, that he is building a better city for all San Franciscans. He has already appointed more minorities and women to key positions in city government. Getting a seat at the table has always been the goal of all minorities. Should we allow their seats to be taken away now? Some of the city's unions that don't like the hardball way

Some of the city's unions that don't like the hardball way Agnos handles their problems have embraced Jordan. They figure that his inexperience is their gain. He has become the candidate of the landlords, real estate interests and other conservative groups. He is not the candidate for us. We believe that Agnos deserves and has earned another four years. Vote for Art Agnos on Dec. 10.

No on Prop. A

e believe the School Board's request for another 1/4-cent sales tax increase is uncalled for. We thought we had replaced "spending" commissioners with others who would address the glutted bureaucracy of our school administrators. They still fail to cut out the fat and learn to live within a budget as we all must. Their last request for a tax increase was granted and less than two years later it is not enough. it is not enough.

They say the tax would end in 17 months. No tax ever sun-

Standing behind this is AB 1730, which would kick in after the local tax would expire. Make the School Board prove that it can live within its budget before they ask for more money. Vote No on Proposition A.

Guest Opinion

No on Prop. A

or the 1991-92 school year the San Fran-cisco Unified School District voted to trim \$18 million from its \$448 million school budget. Less than two months later the Board of Education voted six to one to support a 1/4 cent increase in the local sales tax.

I work for children. My children are in the public schools. I have consistently advocated for the expansion of the educational mission of the San Francisco public schools, especially services that assist low-income, minority, disadvantaged and special education children. I fought against the closure of Balboa High

School. I opposed the closures of the Mission, Chinese and Filipino Education Centers and the E.R. Taylor and the Laguna Golden Gate Children's Centers. I fought harder than anyone against cutbacks in the School District.

I was the only vote against the sales tax in-

I oppose the tax increase because it hurts families who need public schools the most — the poor, the working class and low- and middle-income families. It is a regressive tax. It is an un-fair tax. A recent study by Citizens for Tax Justice shows Californians with a family of four and average income between \$11,700 and \$59,000 pay 6.7 percent and 3.1 percent, respectively, of their income to sales taxes. People with incomes of \$90,000 and \$1 million pay only 2.6 percent

and 1.3 percent.

The sales tax recently jumped by 1¼ cent. In combination with the School Board's action, this makes the sales tax in the sales tax in the sales tax. - the highest in the state.

The governor and the Legislature must solve our school's deficit problem. By enacting the sales tax, the School Board is aiding and abetting the abdication of Sacramento's constitutional responsibility under Proposition 13.

Sacramento would like our School District to

tax its children's families. Sacramento would have our city assume all of Sacramento's responsibilities by enacting additional taxes that would further cripple the working class, poor and middle-income people.

Do not be deceived that this is a short-term measure. Once this sales tax expires, another bill passed by the Legislature and signed by the governor, AB 1930, will go into effect. That bill will ask the voters to increase the sales tax by 1/2 cent to pay for education, health care, crime prevention, and drug abuse. There is an agenda to force

tion, and drug abuse. There is an agenda to force the working poor and middle income of this state to carry the burden of financing our public services. Once Proposition A passes, the floodgate of sales tax increases will be wide open.

Vote "No" on Proposition A. Say "No" to opening the door to other sales and excise taxes that would harm the working class, poor, and middle income of this city. Say "No" to damaging our city's small businesses. Sacramento hopes to transfer all its responsibilities to the pocket-books of San Franciscans. This is wrong, A sales books of San Franciscans. This is wrong. A sales tax increase is bad public policy. It will hurt those who can afford it the best. Please join me in December and vote "No" on

Proposition A.

A "No" vote is not against children, but a vote to protect their future.

-Leland Y. Lee, Ph.D., NCSP Commissioner **Board of Education** San Francisco, CA

Vote for Agnos

by Dana Van Gorder

he race for mayor next Tuesday is still far too close to call. Lesbians, gay men and bisexuals have the power to deliver this election to Art Agnos — or to usher in an era in which we and our issues go largely ignored in City Hall. That choice leaves many conservatives, eager to diminish our power in San Francisco, waiting to see what gay voters will do this Election Day.

Let us visit his record for a moment. Agnos has not simply taken on the battle for lesbian and gay rights, he has relished it because it is right. He has stood with us against powerful institutions, including the U.S. Olympics Committee and the Navy. As a member of the state Assembly, he was the aggressive sponsor of AB 1, the non-discrimination law, and helped craft California's response to AIDS.

As mayor, he has dramatically increased AIDS

funding, and supported condom distribution. He has brought unparalleled numbers of lesbians and gay men into major decision-making roles in city government, making his an administration that understands and responds to our con-

Art is sometimes criticized for his tough style — often by people who oppose his efforts on our behalf. But on matters of civil rights and AIDS we cannot afford to have a mayor who is not

Though the policies Jordan would pursue as mayor remain a mystery, the people who surround him are not. Like John Barbagelata and Quentin Kopp, they are people openly critical of the politics and needs of lesbians and gay men. Like some who attended his victory party on Nov. 5, they see the election of Jordan as an op-portunity to "get rid of the faggots." If our com-munity sits this election out, these will be the people to whom Mayor Jordan will be beholden.

The eyes of the nation will be on San Francis co when it chooses its next mayor. Jordan may be an honorable man, but are we prepared to have the nation hear, as it will from the national media, that San Franciscans decided their city is so far out of control that a former chief of police had to be brought in to restore "decency" and

Since the 1940s, the struggle for lesbian and since the 1940s, the studget of the sestion and gay rights in this city has been in large part a struggle against the attitudes and authority of the Police Department. The symbolism of electing Jordan as mayor is troubling to us. Were the symbolism not enough, the reality will be troubl-

Whatever political disappointments there have been during the past four political years in San Francisco, we believe it is extremely important that lesbians and gay men unite now to re-elect Art Agnos. Let us not sit by as the politics and attitudes of San Francisco shift to ignore our needs and concerns from city government.

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Letters

Where Are Our Liberal Allies?

Make no mistake about it - if Frank Jordan gets elected Dec. 10, San Francisco will change more radically than if there was a 9.2 earthquake and the Fire Department took the day off.

Fire Department took the day off.

Maybe you, like me, have wondered where are our liberal allies? Why the silence from Alioto and Hongisto? It's clear to me that they've been bought off.

Let me explain: I'll bet Jordan has told these fairweather invertebrates that if they just say no to Agnos (insuring a Jordan victory), he'll reward them with a few pet programs, "30 percent gay seats on commissions" (and there's no shortage of that many sell-out Ray Chalker types), and goddess knows what all else. If, by chance, Agnos wins, hey, they're still nice, popular liberal and friends of our community, right? Hongisto and Alioto don't have to take chances, and principles be damned. But because they've sold us out, we'll lose San Francisco to the middle-class Neander-

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thals for at least a decade.

Yes, Agnos has been dazzlingly inept at trying to Yes, Agnos has been dazzlingly inept at trying to please everybody and, after four years of incumbency, has a lot of enemies. Yes, things are worse and, due to a national depression caused mostly by yuppie greed, the streets are filled with impoverished humans. Are these reasons to hand the city over to the real estate interests, to the demagogues, and to the armed racists in the SFPD? Doesn't anyone remember that Dan White was a cop with the same constituency as Frank Jordan?

Where will you live when rent control is gutted by lordan's landlord backers? Where will you go when

Jordan's landlord backers? Where will you go when not only the sex clubs, but any public sexuality is persecuted by the police? And what'll you do when

there aren't even concerts or street fairs any more?
All so the trains will run on time?
Who's to blame if Jordan wins? Well, we are to start Who's to blame if Jordan wins? Well, we are to start with — suckered again. But we must never forget — never, never, never — how our "friends" Alioto and Hongisto led us away from Agnos and left him to twist in the wind, because they were too damned cowardly and/or unprincipled to stand up to the suburbanite brownshirts and their real estate money... or because they had been made offers they couldn't refuse. It's not too late! Phone Alioto (554-7788) and Hongisto (554-5504) and demand that they endorse Agnos and work on his behalf. This is serious The "niceyu" David Duke blitzkrieg is on the Bay Bridge and

guy" David Duke blitzkrieg is on the Bay Bridge and headed West! aded West!

Jim Lewis San Francisco, CA

Agnos Committed to Environment

San Franciscans who care about the environment have a clear choice in the December runoff election.

Art Agnos has demonstrated his commitment to improving the environment of the city and the Bay Area.

proving the environment of the city and the Bay Area. Among his accomplishments, Agnos has:

Supported the effort to open up the waterfront by demolishing the Embarcadero Freeway and replacing it with a pedestrian plaza, historic streetcar line and new bicycle and pedestrian paths along the Bay. Supported the passage of Prop. B in November 1989 to replace Muni vehicles and maintained Muni service levels in tough budget times.

Won commitments for toxics cleanup at Hunters Point and Mission Bay and is pushing for cleanup in

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roint and Mission Bay and is pushing for cleanup in the Presidio as well.

Continued to oppose a Peripheral Canal and is working with other water agencies to ensure adequate river flows and protect the Bay.

Appointed qualified commissioners committed to limiting growth and protecting open space.

In short, the choice is simple: Retain Art Agnos with his proven concern for our issues or risk a Jordan ad-ministration in which his conservative backers will call the shots. If you care about the environment, don't sit this one out! Your silence could make Frank Jordan the next mayor.

As a proud member of the gay community and a Sierra Club leader, I strongly support Art Agnos and I urge environmentally concerned San Franciscans to do the same.

> Bob Walker, Chairman SF Bay Chapter Sierra Club San Francisco, CA

An Easy Choice

Many of us working in AIDS make a point of staying out of electoral politics. There's usually little to gain for our constituencies when we take sides. But in the upcoming mayoral contest in San Francisco, this

traditional caution must be thrown to the wind.
One thing has been abundantly clear to me in my
travels: when it comes to AIDS, San Francisco has exercised more leadership, allocated more funds, influenced more businesses a than any city in the nation. and helped more people

than any city in the nation.

In recent years, Art Agnos has had a uniquely personal involvement with people fighting AIDS. He is a frequent, sincere figure at memorials, services and hospital bedsides. Time and again, he has gone to bat at the state and congressional levels to fight passionately for the needs of our people. He is a fundamental, essential building block of all that is good about San Francisco's resources to AIDS.

about San Francisco's response to AIDS.

Our choice is now between two people: one, a man who has repeatedly proven his enormous concern and

backed it up with action for several years; the other, a man we know best through confrontation, a man whose very campaign subtly pandered to those who think the city may have already done too much for AIDS and the underprivileged.

This is an easy choice. Those who care about AIDS, who care about the fate of our besieged community, have but one choice: Art Agnos. Angela Alioto and Dick Hongisto and their supporters, who have likewise demonstrated the depth of their concern for people with AIDS in the primaries, must understand that it is time to unite.

If this city fails to re-elect Art Agnos, I fear deeply for the fate of all those carrying the burden of HIV. The times ahead will be rough no matter who is at the helm. Let's end our internal disputes and give people with AIDS the best chance they've got.

Martin Delaney Executive Director, Project Inform San Francisco

The Essence Should Be the Issues

The outcome of the forthcoming mayoral runoff election will be of utmost importance to San Francisco gay and lesbian voters.

When choosing which candidate should receive our vote, gays and lesbians must realize that public image, reputation and personality are all secondary. Flowery speeches saturated with the usual political rhetoric of promises of transitions do not result be invested. of promises oftentimes do not reveal the innermost thoughts or character of a particular candidate who goes all-out to get our vote. We should not fall prey to the print and broadcast media's image-making of a

candidate.

The essence of choice should be past performance and voting record of a candidate on issues relating to gays and lesbians and his/her adhering to rules in whatever position held.

Gay and lesbian voters should make every effort to delay in the control of the contr

delve into the candidate's activities in all his/her in-terests. This factor should be indicative of whether he or she exhibits compassion, justice and respect for the Constitution.

San Francisco, CA

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An American Indian for Agnos

I endorse Art Agnos for mayor. As a gay American Indian activist and a municipal election judge every year, it gives me pride to see so many lesbian and gay voters show up on election day to cast their vote. For this very reason, I am encourag-ing all San Franciscans (gay, bi and straight) to look ing all San Franciscans (gay, bi and straight) to look at Mayor Agnos' past and present record. Mayor Agnos authored the original AB 1 (currently known as AB 101). In 1982 when he was a state assemblyman, he advocated for AIDS funding. He has appointed many lesbians and gays to city commissions and advisory boards. He is a strong supporter of domestic partners legislation. Especially impressive are his inclusion of people of color on the Mayor's HIV Task Force on Ryan White monies and more recently his proclaiming of Friday, September 27, 1991, as American Indian Day in San Francisco.

can Indian Day in San Francisco.

Many have said Agnos has "shut out" the community. Earlier this year I had the opportunity to meet with Mayor Agnos. In my 17 years of community service, I have never been invited to have "tea" with past administrations. It seems to me that past mayors only invited a few non-Indian "elites" of our lesbian/gay leadership to play favors with, which meant the exclusion of people of color communities' leadership.

How many mayors will we get a chance to meet? Reelect Mayor Art Agnos.

Randy T. Burns Gay American Indians

The Filthy Disgrace of Camp Agnos

Some gays may look on the Agnos-Jordan contest as a matter of gay rights vs. repression, but such an attitude shows tunnel vision. All of us should consider the mayoral race in view of the condition of the city.

Agnos has had four years in office, and all one has

to do is look around to see what he has wrought. Four years ago the city was neater and cleaner, had streets that weren't full of potholes and had a city government that at least understood the meaning of responsiveness

that at least understood the meaning of responsiveness without a layer of seven deputy mayors.

I do not wish to go back to an imagined golden age, nor do I wish to return to the days of cops running roughshod over rights. However, it is possible to sweep up the trash and get the streets paved and run the city far, far more efficiently — and to make sure that the utter, filthy disgrace of Camp Agnos is never again allowed to occur. lowed to occur.

We have the choice of sitting out the election Dec.

10 or of holding our noses and voting. Anyone who merely shrugs and avoids voting is hurting himself, the city and the democratic process.

Tom Scott San Francisco, CA



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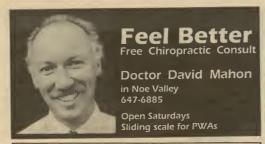
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Gov. Pete Wilson.

s a member/friend and supporter of the Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual Community I am outraged

Your failure to sign AB101 into law is unbelievable and unforgivable. All polls clearly indicate that the public majority is in favor of AB101.

You did not act on behalf of the majority of California

You publicly announced your intention to sign AB101 and then made a secret choice to veto AB101. Political sabotage.

I feel you acted on a personal level based on your well-publicized religious beliefs and affiliations.

SELF-SERVING BIGOTRY IN PUBLIC OFFICE MUST STOP

Take a look at your oath, Pete. It is clear you are failing in your job. There is reason for recall.

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A betrayed Californian (Your name and address printed here)

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Letters

The Bowery-ization of the City

The following letter was sent to

I should be a natural supporter of yours, Mayor Agnos. I agree with virtually all your positions on social issues, on philosophy and on the responsible priorities for society. I believe you work hard and

priorities for society. I believe you work hard and follow up on your commitments.

Yet I am on the verge of voting against you. A firm believer in downplaying the military in government, I am on the verge of voting for a former police chief. Cognitive dissonance is rampant here.

Conversations with my friends return relentlessly to the decay of the City — the way the City has let the

wounded, damaged beggars take over the sidewalks and use them as an open sewer of defeated humani-ty, the rumors of crack houses opening uncontested in the Castro, the wringing-of-hands helplessness of

in the Castro, the wringing-of-hands helplessness of your administration.

We all know the City has not created the homeless problem. But, we didn't have to perfect it. San Francisco's motto speaks of iron and gold, not of spare change and Thunderbird wine.

We're grateful for your very important support on when the speak we have the speak with the feel tested. We were

gay and lesbian issues, but we feel trapped. We want to hear a plan. We want to hear how the City is going to clean up. We want to hear how it will be kept from being overrun by criminals, bums and the truly down-

Frank Jordan seems moderate and thoughtful to me. He certainly has put up with a lot of nonsense from the noisy left activists, both gay and straight. He has constantly reached out to lesbians and gays, despite the slaps from the self-appointed Politically Correct in our community

Truly, Mr. Mayor, you underestimate how bad the streets have gotten if you believe that your strongest campaign message is that liberals have to vote for you the known quantity - over the unknown troglodyte Frank Jordan

It is ironic that the nightlife and pride in the Castro is ironic that the fightiff and price in the Castro is dying not from right-wing bigotry but from left-wing maladministration. Instead of the Manhattanization of San Francisco feared under Dianne Feinstein, we are experiencing the Bowery-ization of the City. A mayor is elected for his views and for his ability to run the city. You have great views. Please help us believe that you can run the City better — much better — than you have

ter - than you have

Galen B. Workman San Francisco, CA

Stop Frank Jordan

Faced with the choice we have in the upcoming mayoral election, I was thinking of sitting this one out. But the thought of Frank Jordan and his homophobic supporters in control of City Hall scared me enough

to vote absentee for Mayor Agnos.

I supported and campaigned my heart out for Angela Alioto and still feel that she would have made (and one day might make) an excellent mayor of San Francisco. I hope that all of Angela's supporters will get out and stop Frank Jordan from "Getting SF Back on Track.

Ronny Marshall San Francisco, CA

Get Rid of Dirty Tricks

When I co-produced Community Action Network, the award-winning, progressive news magazine on tele-vision, I was shocked to discover the dirty, hardball, vindictive type of politics played by the staff of Mayor Art Agnos — namely his two loyal "gay pit bulls," Larry Bush and Scott Shafer.

Not since Donald Segetti ran the dirty tricks opera-tion for Richard Nixon had I seen such sleazy, behind-the-scenes politics in action.

Now San Francisco is faced with another mayoral runoff. The gay and lesbian community has no choice but to vote for Agnos or face the next four years under a former police chief who condoned a gestapo-like veep and total shutdown of the Castro

However, in exchange for our votes, there is still time to demand a commitment from Agnos that he clean up his act. Community leaders must come together and demand that Agnos tell his appointees to begin to work with community groups and stop attempting to undermine them. We need to demand from Agnos that he stop requiring unswerving loyal-ty from each of his appointees, who now must march in lock-step to his every whim. We must demand that he get rid of his "Nixonian Enemies List" which his

ubordinates have spent four years compiling.

Simply because members of our community may have disagreed with Agnos on a particular issue, it did not mean we did not still support him and we were certainly not his "enemy" to be targeted, undermin-ed, pitted against one another, weakened and

ultimately divided.

This is San Francisco — not Chicago or Philadelphia. Agnos does not need to be another Richard Daley Sr. or a Frank Rizzo. Tough-guy, bullying tactics do not work well in the City by the Bay. Simply look at the mayor's popularity poll four years are and look at it today. ago and look at it today.

Raymond Tobler San Francisco, CA

Frank Jordan and Dan White

The Dec. 10 mayor's election could be one of the most important to face the gay and lesbian commu-nity in years. For a very long while we have counted our successes here in San Francisco and they are numerous. To name just a few

1) A mayor who rides every year in our Gay and Les-bian Freedom Day Parade, 2) the most openly gay and lesbian appointees in the history of the city, 3) open access to all departments of our city, 4) a domestic partners law, 5) a gay and lesbian archives in our public library to preserve the history of our community. And these are just a few of the things we can point to with

these are just a few of the things we can point to with pride.

Most important, we have been accepted for what we are, not for what others would want us to be.

But this election could change that. The same people who fought every gay and lesbian issue vital to our community are back with a candidate for mayor. The same areas of town that voted yes on K also voted for this candidate. The same group of people who helped this candidate place first in the November election are the same people who use code words like "a return the same people who use code words like "a return to decency" and "won't bend to special interests" in their campaign literature. You would have to be com-pletely blind not to figure out that this man's campaign

managers are talking about gays and lesbians.

It was not long ago that the right wing in this town elected another policeman to city office. His name was Dan White. Frank Jordan is no Dan White. I wish I could say the same about some of his supporters. I will cast my ballot on Dec. 10 for a man who has

made me proud to be a gay man in San Francisco, Art Agnos. In San Francisco, diversity is our strength.

San Francisco, CA

Support Prop. A

I am writing in support of Prop. A, the temporary sales tax which would raise \$20 million for San Francisco public schools.

Following the 1989 earthquake, a special non-permanent sales tax was passed to help with all the damage that occurred in our facilities. After Pete Wilson's vicious cuts and attacks on public schools, we are left with damage to teaching staff and curriculum equal to any earthquake.

Prop. A will allow for the restoration of counselors Prop. A will allow for the restoration of counselors and libraries. These are especially important to our gay and lesbian students. The horrendous threat of layoffs for many of our gay and lesbian teachers will again rear its ugly head without these funds. Prop. A is what I call a "Hail Mary" tax; in the 17-month breathing room it will give us, we will be able to come up with a more progressive tax reform.

If you spent \$10,000 in purchases, only \$25 would go to the tax. This is a first step on the way to local control and the repeal of Prop. 13.

Join Art Agnos, the teachers union and Gay and Les-ian United Educators in support of Prop. A on

Tom Ammiano Vice President, Board of Education San Francisco, CA

Let's Get Real

Frank Jordan, whose shoe we stole as we recently threw him out of the Castro in our AB 101 rage, will be a danger to us if he is elected. Let's get real. No mat-ter what you think of Art Agnos, we must not let Jordan be our mayor. Even if he personally does not harass us, his supporters will be in our neighborhoods beginning on election night to rub his victory in our

If you can remember the last time a naive former cop took office in City Hall, remember also that it began a chain of events that ended in the murder of our supervisor. If you can't remember, trust us. We do not want a cop in office, in our neighborhoods, in our clubs or in our Boy parties. CO TO THE POLLS AND VOTE FOR ART AGNOS. Give money to his campaign. Tell him your agenda for the gay commu-nity. If we elect him, we can then influence his policies, and prevent police pogroms in OUR town

Leon McKusick, PhD San Francisco, CA

A Good Job Under the Circumstances

I wish to take issue with an article printed in your paper Oct. 24, 1991, by reporter Dave Gilden concerning the suicide of a resident of the Peter Claver Community. The article states that there was a breakdown in the relationship between the management and resi-dents. I have been a resident of Peter Claver Commu-nity since August of 1991. I cannot truthfully say what happened before I moved here, but I don't feel that

I have heard good and bad things said about the Peter Claver Community. I do know that a large part of the staff is new, and considering the circumstances, they are doing a great job. I have seen many major improvements and others are planned. I feel very comfortable and positive about living here and I hope to participate in the progress that is being made.

George Jackson San Francisco, CA

Letters

Classism Against Jordan?

Frank Jordan's "problem" in the gay community mirrors the "problem" he has citywide. It is cultural, and it is not his fault.

In making this argument, I am going against the orthodoxy in gay political circles that the Castro Street.

Sweep is what explains gay opposition to Jordan. This sweep, which the former chief of police has labeled a "mistake," activates old and bitter memories about poor relations between the gay community and the police. The poverty of this relationship is crystallized in the figure of Dan White.

There is no doubt that this history explains a good deal of Indraly's gay opposition. However, Aprela

deal of Jordan's gay opposition. However, Angela Alioto was able to overcome her father's poor relation-ship with the gay community, which was rooted in dis-

ship with the gay community, which was rooted in discernible animosity. Art Agnos has been able to
overcome the fact that he was an opponent and political adversary of Harvey Milk.
What is it that keeps Jordan down? It is cultural bias.
Art Agnos was both a political aide and a social worker. These are professional jobs. Angela Alioto is a
daughter of privilege because her father was a successful politician and brilliant plaintiff's attorney.
Frank Jordan is the son of working class people and
a cop. This is why he receives so little gay support.
The lesbian and gay community should assess what
role this cultural variable of class plays in our choices.
Ithink it plays a substantial one. One which potentially
could constrict the ability of many voters to make a

could constrict the ability of many voters to make a fully rational choice in the December runoff.

John Dunbar San Francisco, CA

Just Sign It

Recently, the Centers for Disease Control slashed the budget of the National Task Force on AIDS Prevention by 43 percent. The NTFAP is a project of Black and White Men Together and is the only national HIV prevention program that specifically targets gay African Americans. This budget cut will decimate the research and evaluation capabilities of the NTFAP. The CDC funds no other national prevention programs for gay people of color. There is no funding for gay Asian, gay Latino or gay American

the NTFAP. The CDC funds no other national prevention programs for gay people of color. There is no funding for gay Asian, gay Latino or gay American Indian prevention programs.

How could this happen when the CDC itself admits that gay people of color have been neglected by HIV prevention efforts and are at tremendous risk of contracting the virus?

Simple. A hit piece by syndicated columnist Cal Thomas (who began his career as Jerry Falwell's media stooge) has been widely published across the country, the most recent version appearing in Reader's Digest. In it, Thomas declares that the NTFAP grant "bolsters homosexual efforts to give their sexual behavior the same kind of legal approval that minority groups have under anti-discrimination statutes." Translation: Cal Thomas believes that saving lives of gay people of color is a horrible misuse of tax dollars because he wants all gay, lesbian and bisexual people deep in the closet or dead. As a result of Cal Thomas' lies and distortions, bigots wrote their "outrage" to the CDC. In a typically gutless manner, the CDC panicked and slashed NTFAP's funding.

We cannot let this blatant bigotry stand! An attack on any one of us is an attack on all of us. Fortunately, because of the media attention surrounding Magic

on any one or us is an attack on all of us. Fortunately, because of the media attention surrounding Magic Johnson, we are in an excellent position to force/humiliate the CDC into not only restoring, but increasing funding to HIV prevention programs for gay people of color. But only if we make ourselves

We will be on 18th and Castro with postcards each Sunday throughout December. When you're there, please take a moment to sign a postcard to the Directhose groups currently being neglected by HIV prevention programs. Together, we can make a difference.

> Ken McPherson Mobilization Against AIDS San Francisco, CA

Cole Shortsighted and Exclusionary

This letter is in response to Robert Cole's letter entitled "In Defense of White Men" which appeared in the Nov. 14, 1991, issue of your paper. Both the purpose and point of Mr. Cole's letter remain unclear. It is ap-

parent, however, that Mr. Cole makes certain incor-rect assumptions which should be addressed. Whether he intended it or not, Mr. Cole's letter borders frighteningly on espousing a white suprema-cist attitude. In his very first sentence, Mr. Cole refers to "... the few people of color who read this paper ..." to "... the few people of color who read this paper ..., yet he offers no evidence supporting that assertion. The next paragraph lists certain alleged contributions of white men to our society, specifically the telephone, television and personal computer. What Mr. Cole may not know is that although Alexander Graham Bell is generally credited with the invention of the telephone, the "telephone system & apparatus" was first patented on Oct. 11, 1887, by Grainville T. Woods of Cincinnati, an African-American. Similarly, though the television is commonly believed to be an American invention, much of its initial technology was developed by an much of its initial technology was developed by an

Italian man. And as for the personal computer, even though one person may have begun the process, the advanced computer technology we enjoy today is the result of the vision and work of many men and women among them Asians, African Americans and

Caucasians.

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Mr. Cole goes on to refer to "the genius and visions" of white men. No logical person would dispute that certain Caucasian males have made significant and longlasting contributions to our society. But what about the genius and visions of other men? Or women, for that matter? African Americans, for example, were responsible for the invention of the typewriter, the sugar mill and the fountain pen, among other things. Is the genius exhibited by these people to be considered any less valid than that of their Caucasian counterparts?

counterparts?

Genius, vision and creativity — like most other human qualities and traits — are not bound by limits of race, class, age or gender. Similarly, most important technological advances are seldom the work of one person alone. They are most often collaborative efforts involving the genius and vision of many people. Making the assumption that "white men" alone are responsible for the invention of any one of the examples Mr. Cole uses is both short sighted and exclusionary. sionary.

To use Mr. Cole's closing statement (with one important modification), "with just a little support and love, imagine what might come out of the mind of the person you know best of all."

Gregory Adams San Francisco, CA

Boards Need Checks and Balances

The San Francisco city government structure has no system of internal review and checks and balances for the behavior of the mayor's politically appointed individuals and boards.

The Board of Permit Appeals, for example, is made

up of political appointees and is an autonomous body having no checks or balances on its decisions. Citizens have little recourse regarding its decisions other than to go back to the Board itself.

This situation is fertile ground for the abuse of the power the Board holds. It carries with it the possibility of conflict of interest and favoritism to privileged members of the political-insider class by members of

As long as the mayor allows this situation to exist, fair treatment for the ordinary citizens of our city can become something we only hear about in campaign

It is time for a change. It is time to help guarantee fair treatment for all citizens of San Francisco by creating a system of internal review and checks and balances for the behavior of all the mayor's political appointees.

> A. David Shaber San Francisco, CA

Don't Rain on My Parade

As a person with AIDS with 11 T-cells who was diag-As a person with AISS with I rectise who was mag-nosed HIV positive with 250 Toells almost five years ago, I am well aware of statistics. Statistically speak-ing, I should be dead within a year. I hope to beat the odds, and I am aware that they are against me. It is my belief that if I maintain a strong and positive men-tal attitude, I stand a better chance of surviving (and

possibly even thriving) longer. It is certain that if I lose the will to live, my body will respond in kind.

I used to work for a gay-owned and-operated business in the Castro that primarily serves the gay community. I presumed that compassion for and sensitivity to the issues one faces as a PWA would be evident in such a business. Apparently, I was mistaken.

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After learning that I qualified for State Disability Insurance funds, I decided to stop working. I heard from a co-worker that the owner of the store in which I worked thought that I lived in a fantasy land to think that I could just think good thoughts and wish the dis-

I am aware of my treatment options and I make my own choices accordingly. If I want to concentrate on what is good about my life, instead of what is negative, that is my prerogative. Some would say that I am in a state of denial. Even if I am, it is my choice how I will respond to my illness. Please do not infringe on my right to exercise what little control I have left over

my life. So my message to the worried well is this: Sensitize yourselves to the psychological issues inherent in liv-ing with AIDS. It is OK to ask questions, but do not be surprised by my pain and anger if you make a broad sweeping generalization that offends me. I do not seek to legislate, censor or even curtail your thoughts, words or actions. But I seek understanding, compassion, empathy, sensitivity and support. Do not presume that you know more about living with AIDS than somebody who is doing it. As Elvis Presley sang, "Before you accuse, criticize and abuse, walk a mile

in my shoes."
ACT UP, fight back, fight AIDS.

William Maguire San Francisco, CA

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Wayne Friday

Feinstein, Boxer for U.S. Senate

rimary elections will take place in June 1992 to nominate two U.S. senators in Cali-O.S. senators in California. Both major parties will have spirited contests for the six-year seat being given up by retiring Alan Cranston as well as the so-called "short-term," two-year seat now held by intering Sep. John Sey. interim Sen. John Sey

The Democrats have unusually qualified women can-didates in both races — Di-anne Feinstein running for the Seymour seat and Rep. Barbara Boxer, the candidate for Cranston's seat. Those gay and lesbian Democrats who feel, as I do, that having only two women in the 100-member U.S. Senate (there are only three women among California's 45-member House of the head of the state of the

reinstein will be opposed in the June primary by state Controller Gray Davis, a political holdover from the days of Gov. Jerry Brown, who seemingly is always looking for another office to run for.

While Davis is presumably qualified to serve in the Senate, Feinstein is infinitely more qualified.

Boyer, who has represent.

more qualified.

Boxer, who has represented Marin County and part of San Francisco in the House for the past 10 years, is probably at the moment considered somewhat of an underdog to Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy, yet another career politician constantly looking

Carthy, yet another career politician constantly looking at higher office. He once lost a Senate race to Pete Wilson.

Boxer, like McCarthy, a longtime champion of gay and lesbian rights, is giving up a "safe" House seat to run for the Cranston seat, and is definitely as qualified, if not more so, than any of her male primary opponents.

There is a thought among some that California will never elect two women to the U.S. Senate, particularly in the same year. Why not? John Seymour, an appointee of Wilson, is no friend of our community, and must be decommunity, and must be de-

Feinstein is just the Democrat to replace him. Boxer would be a splendid replacement for the disgraced, retiring Cranston. Can you imagine what might have happened if, during the recent Clarence Thomas hearings, there had been seven (or more) women on the all-male 14-member Senate Judiciary Committee? That influential committee would never have brushed off Anita Hill as they Feinstein is just the Demo-



Dianne Feinstein



Rep. Barbara Boxer

did, and the arrogant Thomas would not be sitting on the

Supreme Court.
As a Democrat, I think voters in this state have a rare chance to elect two very good candidates to the Senate next year - two good women can-

year — two good women candidates.
Call the Feinstein head-quarters now, (415) 433-1333, or the Boxer headquarters, (415) 771-3700 and get involved in the campaign. Again, this primary is merely six months away and our community can make the difference in both make the difference in both campaigns. Feinstein and Boxer will both be good U.S. senators and they deserve our

Politics & People

San Francisco voters will elect a mayor Tuesday and this one promises to be one of the closest contests in decades. One longtime City Hall observer told me this week that the Agnos-Jordan race will be closer than the Moscone-Barbagelata race was a few years ago when Moscone won by barely 4,000

Whether Art Agnos wins another term or whether Frank Jordan makes Agnos a one-term mayor comes down to which campaign gets their votes out. I still see San Francisco as a "liberal" city, which should mean Agnos wins But should mean Agnos wins. But the Jordan campaign is well organized, and the get-out-thevote effort still decides this one. I have not always liked Agnos' answers, but at least he has some answers, and nice guy though he is, Frank Jordan seems to be coming up short when asked for the an-

swers to the problems this city faces.

It's one thing to point out the problems, but where are the solutions, Frank? Neither one of these guys would win a popularity contest with

most of San Francisco's vot-

most of San Francisco's voters, but as a friend of mine said this week, "better the devil you know, than the devil you don't know."

My "friend" said that, incidentally, I didn't. My "friend" is also voting for Agnos Tuesday, and so am I.

Hey, Queer Nation, listen up. I got a call Sunday from two gay homeowner/residents in Concord, well-known in the East Bay gay community for being generous, albeit quiet supporters of our community et supporters of our community, who claim that "gays from the city who come here from the city who come here to hold their silly 'kiss-ins' are not making life a hell of a lot easier for us.' These same two also tell me that had the Sunvalley Mall smooch-show been before the Nov. 5 election, "Prop. M would have won by a lot more than 63 votes." (Just passing the word on, folks.)

votes." (Just passing the word on, folks.)

If you have any money left over from holiday shopping, send a small check to Tom Nolan for Congress, P.O. Box 60488, Palo Alto 94306.

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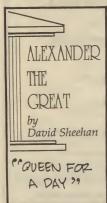
It doesn't always work — a judge last week in Los Angeles dismissed a \$200 million

lawsuit by Brent Plott, who claimed he was television mogul Mery Griffin's live-in companion/lover/adviser for nearly a decade and had been promised "support for life."

Pick up your change and hold on to your purses — the American Association of Political Consultants will gather in San Francisco Jan. 16 for a three-day conference. These are the guys who make big bucks out of political cam-paigns. Conference co-chairs are Clint Reilly (Clinton Reil-(Continued on next page)



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The Outer Limit

Giving Thanks For the Severely Queer

by Rachel Pepper

sitting in front of a roulette wheel in Reno was probably not how my parents ever envisioned I'd be spending the Thanksgiving of my 28th year. But given my predisposition for avoiding family holidays as well as my own fondness for travel, the invitation from my good friend Lee was irresistible.

Of course I would accom-

of course I would accompany her for a day of debauchery, provided, of course, that some start-up gambling money come my way. After all, what sophisticated pauper like myself wants to try to sit in some corner of a casino reading Margaret Atwood, anyway?

reading Margaret Atwood, anyway?
Whatever thoughts I've had recently about San Francisco being its own world pale in comparison with the reality of being in a casino town. Since everything revolves around getting you to spend all your time — and therefore all your money — at their establishments, hotels in Reno provide you everything Reno provide you everything you could dream of, except for fresh air and sunlight.

you could dream of, except for fresh air and sunlight. Which, in your frenzy to win even a few bucks while spending 50, you might even stop noticing the lack of.
Indeed, you can sit in the casino for hours, being brought all the free alcohol you can possibly consume while still being sober enough to place your bets. You can willingly get lost in a shopping mall maze, eat all your meals buffet style just feet from the casino, and even gamble at your table while doing so. This may make it hard to have meaningful conversation with your loved ones at the time, but hey, who talks to anyone anymore, anyway?

anyway?

Or you can be lucky enough to stumble across the hotel's health club in a fit of wandering, thereby escaping the overt tackiness of the rest of the establishment by sitting alone in a steam bath for an hour or two. Which was a pretty nice respite for me, be-cause it was the only place in

Reno where I didn't get incredulous stares for my short hair from big-haired freaks or carded every 10 minutes by security guards unwilling to believe that I wasn't some 18-year-old boy sneaking in on the sly. the sly.

Ah, the wonders of Reno. No, I don't mean the place No, I don't mean the place that sucks up all your money in the name of All-American Fun. Instead, I refer to the N.Y. performance artist whose new solo show, "Once Removed," is playing at the Eureka Theatre till Dec. 8.

For if the city in Nevada artist was there only always at the white making me laugh at —

while making me laugh at—the evils of my activities.
Why is it, she asked, that banks give Donald Trump millions of dollars to cover his debts while ordinary people keep going under? Perhaps, she suggested, it's because some people' are "too big to fail," while folks who can't quite scrape together their \$50 utility bills are "too small to succeed."
And that was just the beginning of an hour and a half long, always funny but very

ginning of an hour and a half long, always funny but very thought-provoking rampage against conservative bigots like Jesse Helms and Presi-dent Bush, censorship, homo-phobia, Christopher Colum-bus hoopla, the right-to-life's quest to "save the children," and the terrors of taking a mammogram. mammogram.

Propelled from alternative performance spaces by her in-creasing success, Reno man-ages to maintain her middle ground as she reaches for more mainstream acceptance. Gone is some of her zany craziness, but she still makes frequent, angry pokes at sex-ism, racism and AIDS phobia. And she never forgets she comes from a crowd where paying \$20 to see a performance artist is a bit extrava-

gant.
Reflecting on the blank spaces in her resume, strutting around the stage in one of her customary fits of ener-



Performance artist Reno

gy, she asks incredulously to a would-be corporate inter-viewer, "What was I doing for the last decade? I dunno, I

the last decade? I dunno, I made a couple of phone calls, went to some memorial services ... I was living sort of an alternative lifestyle ... and you weren't there!"

Speaking of alternatives to do with lifestyles, up until very recently there hasn't been even one gay guidebook to guide the less than fully initiated into the forays of local queer life. To help fill this glaring gap, two fine fellows whom I happen to work with have just published their long-awaited release, Betty and nave just published their long-awaited release, Betty and Pansy's Severe Queer Re-view of San Francisco.

My own opinion of this book, which includes info on

clubs and bars, restaurant re-views, male cruising areas, sex clubs, MUNI information,

and "safety tips for living and dying in SF," is that it's a stroke of genius, not to men-tion a sorely needed addition to travel shelves all over the

city.

However, not everyone will be happy with this little book. Places where the authors and their friends have been treated respectfully are certainly given their due here.

However freedom from the However, freedom from the editorial compromises that accepting advertising revenue would mean and a real desire to call 'em as they see 'em (why does the Castro now (why does the Castro now sport a military-themed bar where men wear Nazi para-phernalia?) has resulted in some more than ruffled feathers. I guess some merchants, relying to a large extent on tourist dollars, are scandalized to think that someone might care to spend these same dollars in places that give equal treatment to wom-

en and people of color.

Needless to say, this has not gone over well with some not gone over well with some local merchants. In fact, in the name of free speech, a long-time employee of a Castro eatery that got a less than favorable — and I believe very honest — review in the guidebook stood on top of the front table at A Different Light last week for half an hour scream. week for half an hour screaming about how the book was all a bunch of lies. Not getting the irony of his own testos-terone-pumped state of mind, he then demanded all copies of Severe Queer Review be

ne then demanded all copies of Severe Queer Review be burned.

Further, just to prove that his restaurant doesn't discriminate against women, as the Severe Queer Guide points out, he then physically threatened the female employees on duty.

Sheesh, anyone taking a stab from a crabby little guidebook so seriously certainly won't ever get my business again, or anyone asking me for a recommendation. After all, one has only to read the book's disclaimer, which clearly reflects the authors' intentions and personal biases, tentions and personal biases to know they meant no harm Who could argue with people who at least spell out their biases by admitting to being "two white-trash queer boys from the East Coast who are transplants with shitty attitudes"?

Guess to some tired queens, this has meant only salt in the wounds adminis-tered when they began to re-alize sometime recently that the Castro — and the rest of the world for that matter — wasn't just for white boys anymore.

And for that fact, even more than any gambling trip to Nevada, I can truly give thanks. ▼

Friday

ly Campaigns) and Dick Woodward (Woodward & McDowell), and the confer-ence is entitled "Cutting Edge Consulting"

You aren't likely to run into presidential candidate Jerry Brown there (the guy detests high-priced political consultants), but if you want to attend and find out how these people become so wealthy, you can call for tickets and infor Karen Kapler (415) 340-0470 or Wally Mealiea at (202) 686-5908. The cost is only \$250 for members and \$295 for non-members, and you might even get invited to the big bash Reilly is throwing for AAPC President Bill Hamilton (no, Jerry won't be at that one either). You aren't likely to run

Rep. Barbara Boxer was named one of *Glamour* mag-azine's 10 "Women of the Year" in its December issue, complete with full-page photo, bio, etc., which has to be considered a plus for any political campaign.

George Bush's popularity rating drops to 46 percent (from a high of 86 percent in March) and David Duke an-nounces he's running for president as a Republican all in the same week. So what is Mario waiting for?

Incidentally, with the economy in such poor shape and the president not knowing what to do about it, is it any wonder that George Herbert Walker Bush is now increasingly being called "George Herbert Hoover Bush"?

Art Agnos? Frank Jordan? Tuesday is Election Day. Vote as you please, but please get out and vote.





Agnos

way to get them to stop those kinds of racist, sexist and in some cases homophobic acts. BAR: Some people, Warren Hinckle among them, assert that you reward those who are loyal to you, and punish those who are not.

loyal to you, and punish those who are not.

AGNOS: But they give no examples of people who have been punished by me for disloyalty. Let's go down the list — the ballpark campaign, which Hinckle talks a lot about, he says I was being vindictive because his people got prosecuted by the district attorney, a separately elected official. Jack Davis and others who conspired were investigated and prosecuted by the district attorney, not by me. I don't tell the district attorney what to do. Jack Morrison, who's one of my commissioners, and Rick Hauptmann, a gay man who's also one of my commissioners, were leaders of the anti-ballpark campaign. of the anti-ballpark campaign.
They're both endorsing me, and helping me raise money. I didn't remove them from any commissions. There's only one person I've removed from a commission in four years, and that was Adrian Bermudez. I removed him at the request of all of the rest of his colleagues on the Human Rights Commission because Rights Commission because he was so disruptive and so unproductive as a commissioner. It's one of those things like "when did you stop beating your wife?" How do you prove it wrong once it just gets repeated? So my political enemies use that instead of acknowledging that what I'm doing is something they don't ing is something they don't like—attacking racism, attack-ing sexism, attacking homo-phobia in a tough, no-nonsense phobia in a tough, no-nonsense way. I don't try to kid any-body — I can be very tough when I am fighting for the justice of people who are vulnerable to those kinds of acts. There is no easy way or nice way to take on homophobes or take on recists or take on sex-

way to take on homophobes or take on racists or take on sex-ists. You go right in their face, and you don't back off. The first week I was in of-fice, a federal court judge said fice, a federal court judge said the Fire Department was out of control in dealing with racism. Two years later that same judge said the Fire Department was in good hands. Those are my hands. When you stand up and take on Quentin Kopp over the Olympics, saying I am not going to invite the Olympics because they discriminate against the gay and lesbian community. That is a major statement for a big-city mayor when you take on something as sacrosanct as the Olympics in the eyes of most Americans. I did that.

You've got to remember,

You've got to remember, Warren Hinckle ran against me for mayor four years ago. He was a candidate. He was humiliated. He got fewer votes than Cesar Ascarrunz. votes than Cesar Ascarrunz. You know who his campaign manager was? Jack Davis. So what you're reading in the Hinckle articles is a series of manufactured lies to assist their latest candidate.

BAR: Where is the city going to get more money to balance the budget?

ing to get more money to bal-ance the budget?

AGNOS: We need to grow our economy, where the bulk of our taxes come from. That's why we've been push-ing so hard on developing our port. In the last two years it's gone from being the 20th



Mayor Art Agnos stopped for a game of pool at the Special during an October 1989 visit to the Castro. (Photo: Darlene/PhotoGraphics)

largest port in the nation to the 12th largest. We've dou-bled the cargo coming in to the city, that means more rev-enue. We're seeking to devel-op 500 acres at the Hunters Point shipyard, where we can use the shipwards the Naw roint snipyard, where we can use the shipyards the Navy left behind for private companies to come in, and we'll give them a tax break so they can be competitive for repairing ships, which creates blue collar jobs 1 see that as a possilar jobs. I see that as a possi-bility for the University of Cal-ifornia biotech research labs,

which also employ a lot of people with good jobs. We're also seeking to ex-pand our tourist industry. That's why Yerba Buena Gar-dens is so important. It will double the size of our convention space, which brings convention and tourist people here. It's the No. 1 industry in the city. It brings revenue. Tourists buy at the shops and stay at the hotels and eat at the restaurants. The print and graphic design industry is one of our targeted growth areas, along with the garment industry, because they're what we call high value-added industries. You take a piece of cloth, which doesn't have a lot of value, and you take a double the size of our conven of value, and you take a skilled designer, which we have in this city, design a dress or a suit or an article of apparel and you have skilled craftspeople make it and you have a high value added and it doesn't take a lot of space to do it, like some big automobile manufacturing plant or some-thing. So those are areas we're seeking to develop so were seeking to develop so that our economy grows and keeps pace with our needs. We're also looking to streamline government wherever we can to get rid of duplication or inefficiencies.

BAR: What about Prop. A—

can we really afford new tax-

es?
AGNOS: Well, it's your choice. We're saying that for 18 months, we're going to raise our tax, if the people agree, to pay for our schools, because we don't want to lose a generation of kids because of a lark of money or leak of me. a lack of money or lack of ma terials or lack of teachers terials or lack of teachers.
Look at what we're doing to Look at what we're doing to the teachers: we take some-one who's gone to school, and trained for five years to be-come a teacher — one of the most important jobs in our somost important jobs in our so-ciety — and every year we put them through this terrible tor-ture — you're fired, you're not fired — and these people have lives and families and lovers to support, and yet they're being told every year, we don't know if you're going to be back.

I think that's a terrible statement about what our society values in education. So I think we ought to say, we're going to raise our sales tax that extra quarter cent for 18 months to pay for what a conservative Republican won't pay in Washington or in Sacramento until we first or in Sacramento until we finally get them to deal with it. I don't think we can afford not

to.

BAR: How broad do you think your support in the gay community is?

AGNOS: Last night I had a fundraiser where the gay and lesbian community in New York contributed a lot of money, because they know that I am a national spokesperson am a national spokesperson for gay and lesbian issues that

I've changed the face of San Francisco's government to look like the faces of the people who live here. -Art Agnos

no other big-city mayor has ever been. Therefore, I'm beever been. Therefore, I'm being supported by the gay communities of New York, Los Angeles and Chicago, to mention three. That money is probably the best political money you can have. Because what does a lesbian restaurant owner in New York who raised money for me want? She's not looking for permits. I can't even fix her parking tickets in New York. What she wants is leadership on the tickets in New York. What she wants is leadership on the issues that affect her community. So when I'm the chairman of the U.S. Conference of Mayors' AIDS Task Force, and I go speak with the kind of authority and passion I can speak with, she knows that someone is speaking for her community.

BAR: What about your ac

BAR:What about your accessibility?

AGNOS: I'd like to be as accessible as I can be. But some people felt that they were not able to get to me in the past. I intend to change my schedule to make myself more accessible. I intend to have weekly open office hours so that if the average citizen wants to see the mayor, I'm going to have hours every

week when they can just come in. No questions asked, no ap-pointments demanded, just walk in and see the mayor and walk in and see the mayor and say whatever's on your mind that's a problem you want to talk about. I've also put in a 24-hour a day fax machine. The number is 554-7400.

BAR: The Jordan campaign feels that your Bud Hinckle ad is exploitative of a person with AIDS. How do you respond to that?

AIDS. How do you respond to that?

AGNOS:It's amazing — I was raised to believe that you cast your bread upon the water and it comes back. In 1980 Bud Hinckle was a gay activist in Redding and I was carrying AB 1 (the first gay rights bill that was vetoed by Gov. George Deukmejian), so we had a mobilization and they came down and they were so discouraged because their assemblyman was against them, and it was a very homophobic atmosphere, and they used to come into my office for encouragement. And I used to talk to them and I said hey, don't give up, don't believe it. don't give up, don't believe it.
I've got to have you out in
Redding. I've got enough people in San Francisco who can
speak to this issue, I've got to have people with your courage in Redding. Bud was one of those people. That's when I

those people. That's when I became, as he says, one of his heroes. I would send him information, I put him on my mailing list, and he took heart from that.

So he moved here four years ago. He has AIDS. On Election Day he couldn't get to the polls. He was afraid he couldn't vote for me. So he called up our election headquarters and said I can't get to the polls, will someone help. called up our election headquarters and said I can't get to
the polls, will someone help
me? So one of our volunteers
went out there and he told her
this story. So she came back
with this wonderful story
about how this person had
met me and why he wanted to
support me. So we asked him
to tell the story. And that's
how the ad came about. And
the same is true with the other
ads we've got. Vernon Alley
told us his story at a house
meeting. He said you know,
they talk about the good old
days. I know what the good
old days were. I couldn't get
into the Fire Department. I
was athletic, I was strong, I
was a football player and they
said I wasn't qualified to be a
fireman. That's what the good
old days were for me.

BAR: Where's Larry Bush

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ese days? AGNOS: He still works for me as a speechwriter. He's helping me raise money right now because he's got a net-

work around the country When he's not writing speech which lies not writing spectri-es he works on the campaign fundraising staff. In fact, he put me together with a new city councilman in New York, Tom Duane. He's a gay man, HIV positive, he's helping me

HIV positive, he's helping me raise money.

BAR: Was he given that function in response to heat from those who are offended by Bush's tactics?

AGNOS: He was given that assignment because I need to raise money from the gay and lesbian community and he is the one who has the most nationwide contacts. The problems that some people have identified about Larry's style will be tested when I win this election and he continues to work with me in a new kind work with me in a new kind of outreach. I know that he's been talking to people in the community so that he can understand what he needs to do to improve, just as I have.

BAR: Why should you be resplected?

elected? AGNOS:I should be re-

elected because I have changed the face of San Fran-cisco's government to look like the faces of the people who live here, and empowered communities that have never communities that have never been empowered before. In terms of the gay and lesbian community, do you think that Frank Jordan would have appointed Ed Harrington as the comptroller of this city? Do you think that Joe Grubb would be the executive director of the Rent Control Board? Would Connie O'Connor be the president of the Recreation and Park Department? Would Steve Coulter be the president of the Library Commission? Would Sharon Bretz be on the Fire Commission? No way. The same is true with the African-American, Asian-American, Latin-American and women's communities. And that is because this city is prewomen's communities. And that is because this city is predominantly made up of people from those communities. And yet they have never really been reflected in the face of

been reflected in the face of this city's government. I should be re-elected be-cause we have managed this city in a time of crisis, whether it's been deficits, recessions, earthquakes, droughts so that we've been able to get through those difficult times over the last four years and nearly dou-ble funding for AIDS, create a center for positive care that's the first of its kind, create an AIDS research center that's AIDS research center that's the first of its kind, develop a plan to deal with homelessness

plan to deal with homelessness that today is moving people off the streets — not in huge numbers, but it's getting there — and begin to make this city physically look better than it did when we found it.

The Yerba Buena Center will become a Lincoln Center of the West, with a Museum of Modern Art, arts and theater facilities, the Martin Luther King Memorial. The new Main Library will be the first one of its kind in the world. It will connect to every neighborwill connect to every neighborhood in this city, so that people who are library members will be able to plug in their personal computers, at their offices, their homes, or their offices, their homes, or their classrooms; punch in their library card and call up the information they're looking for. It will also feature a gay and lesbian center that will be the first of its kind in the world that will allow people from anywhere in the world to look at what gay and lesbian history is all about. It will be the biggest new civic building that

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in this election or supporting one candidate or another but

one candidate or another but I can certainly set a tone and I can run the campaign, and I want to run it as professionally and all-inclusively as I know how to make it.

My personal record speaks just the opposite of this vindictiveness or hate-related issues or frightening people. I don't want to polarize this city and drive wedges at all. I'm trying to be a consensusbuilder. I'm trying to look at this whole mix and say, "We all are equal partners." That's why many of us, not only who live here but who came here see that this is a city where you can live on your own terms and that you feel free to express yourself and free to express yourself and you feel that you're going to have an equal share of whathave an equal share of what-ever we're trying to accom-plish in this city. I don't want anybody to start getting in there and undermining my campaign, or for that matter Art Agnos' campaign, because I think that both of us have to speak out and say this is out-rageous, this should never oc-cur.

cur.
I'm concerned because I'm I'm concerned because I'm already being positioned as a former chief of police who is going to arrest all the homeless, who's going to create a police state, who is a fascist, who's tied in with David Duke, and also who's going to bring back the old boy network to San Francisco with the old prejudicial and racial the old prejudicial and racial tones to it, and the last one that really bothers me. It's that really bothers me. It's outrageous, the one about the young man who's dying of AIDS who feels that he's frightened because he's dying of AIDS. And I understand that, but he's also frightened because I might be the next mayor of San Francisco and that I might drive all the lesbians and gays out of San Francisco. That to me is outrageous. I don't want any kind of polarization like this, and believe me, if anyone had and believe me, if anyone had that kind of a platform, I would be driving them out of San Francisco myself.

BAR: One thing that leads people to this fear is that some of your campaign adver-tisements — specifically, the mailer that depicts you being run out of the Castro and the television ad that shows gays

television ad that shows gays smashing windows—seem to suggest that gays have gone, too far, and that as a special interest, gays are controlling the city. What about that?

JORDAN: My spin on this is just the opposite. There were about 4,000 people demonstrating that night. I was demonstrating myself for the very same cause. I don't was definitional and make not the very same cause. I don't want to have anyone be denied their First Amendment rights. I've had more than 1,000 demonstrations in this city. Most of them went well. Not all of them. In that cir-cumstance I've always pro-tected everyone's First

Amendment rights.

Now here I am a former chief of police, doing what I think is right, and my own First Amendment rights were denied me that night. That's why I say you can push me but you can't push me around. That was a way to show that I want to reach out and make sure the city has the rights for everybody to



Frank Jordan addresses supporters at the opening of his campaign headquarters in March. State Sen. Quentin Kopp looks on.

freedom to dissent and freedom to march and demonstrate and do what they have to do within a reasonable framework and get the protection they need.

There was only a small handful of people — maybe 150, maximum, out of this whole 4,000 — who created all the problems. I think it was a service to the lesbian and gay community to see what have community to see what hap-pened when it was allowed to get to that degree and go all around the country showing that there was obviously no one in charge here and that a one in charge here and that a small group can create the terror of damaging the property and the physical violence and the arson and the tearing up of the computers and then walk away. The police are there to protect life and property. It was not the gay and lesbian community, the 4,000 who marched property who who marched properly, who should have done something about it and culled out that

group.

It was unfair because the received a negative image across the country, and l blame that on this present ad-ministration for being too tol-erant of the way it handled the demonstration that night whether it's through the po-lice department or his office, somehow we should have at least had an indication of what the guidelines or ground

what the guidelines or ground rules were.

No one is supposed to be able to walk out and go to a building and break the windows and light a bonfire and expect to walk away, and we are the laughing stock of the country. The people in other police departments say, "You police departments say, "You had to look at the headlines of the newspapers the next of the newspapers the next day to find out who you're going to arrest? Or the TV cameras to get a film clip so you can go make an arrest? That to me is outrageous. The police have one purpose The poince have one purpose—
to protect life and property.
They didn't do it.
BAR: What do you plan to
do about the budget deficit?
JORDAN: What scares me

is that Dianne Feinstein had a \$77 million budget deficit just before Art Agnos took office, but by April or May it was up to \$172 million. I think we're going to see something very similar here. Now we have a \$91 million deficit, and you watch, it will be over \$150 million. That's a scary factor, and that's what I believe I'm

going to inherit.

So we're going to do a number of things. I've men-

tioned earlier, in my platform, an outside independent audit. We're going to have to look at every department and consolevery department and consolidate, streamline and eliminate — not by laying anybody off but every single job except for public safety will be frozen, which means that when somebody retires or takes a different career path (they) won't necessarily be replaced. I want the street-level services to remain — that's services to remain — that's where we should be providing services to the citizens of this community — but the middle and upper-level management I want to see where the bureaucracies are. There's a lot of money and a lot of fat there. One city employee for every

I don't want to polarize this city and drive wedges at all. I'm trying to be a consensus builder. We're all equal partners. Frank Jordan

29 residents is definitely way beyond what it should be. A \$2.4 billion budget is just outrageous. If your revenues are increasing at 4 per-cent and your deficit spend-ing is 7 percent, you know we're heading for bankruptcy, so we've got to do something about it. The first phase is to about it. The first phase is to bring this bureaucracy into line so you balance the bud-get. Proposition A, which was just passed, Tom Hsieh's amendment, that's an effec-tive one. That will save \$25 million. It's what you call a golden handshake. People are going to leave middle-and upper-level management positions early, up to three

and upper-level management positions early, up to three years early. That will be of immediate assistance to this crisis we're facing.

I'm also looking at consolidating. The Public Utilities Commission and the bureaucracy below it, the Hetch Hetchy Project, the Water-Department and the Muni Railway, why can't we just eliminate everything above the nate everything above the Public Utilities Commission? Each of them will have a department head, who will report directly to the mayor, and the rest of the bureaucracy in the Public Utilities Commission is gone. Before, the airport was part of it, and they've shifted away, and Lou Turpen, the manager, reports directly to the mayor, and now they have a \$44 million surplus out there.

I'm looking at charter I'm looking at charter amendments to see how we can move that \$44 million into the general fund in San Francisco. We're all one city, but somehow we have a budget deficit in one area and that money sitting there in another and we can't use it-I'm also looking at what can realistically be done through the ports.

ports.
BAR: What did you think of Assessor Richard Hongis-to's consolidation plan? JORDAN: I find it's very

JORDAN:I find it's very good. I'm not cutting as drastically as he would, but I like the idea. He'd go from 58 down to 30 departments. You have the Mayor's Office of Housing, the Housing Authority and the Redevelopment Agency. Why not consolidate all those and eliminate the administration of two of them? That's a way to cut the fat.

two or them. That's a way to cut the fat.

I have to expand the economic base. We are driving the business community out of San Francisco. We are anti-business whether we like to say this or not. The 7-1/2 miles of port of San Francisco should be revenue-generating, and it lost \$3-1/2 million last year. It should be in the same category as the S.F. In-ternational Airport — it's a world-class port. We keep world-class port. We keep hearing about a fish process-ing plant, about a Scandina-vian cruise line, about the containerization of goods coming in from the Pacific Rim, about commercial devel-Rim, about commercial developments, about sailboat berths, and this has all supposed to have been done and nothing has been done. We've lost money. Eighty percent of the port is dormant. We have to start revisions in the commercial development.

talizing it.

Same thing with Hunters
Point naval shipyard — 525 Same thing with runners Point naval shippard — 525 acres. The mayor is arguing with the U.S. government, saying that if you don't give us, the city of San Francisco, the property, we will make it difficult for any private developer who would purchase it through the planning and permit process. That isn't the way to have good communication with Washington, DC. They could put us on a different priority level, and we ent priority level, and we could be sitting out there with no government help for

vears. I see that as revenue-

generating.

What I have to do is create What I have to do is create jobs, which diversifies the tax base and stabilizes the economy. When you have a healthy economy and you're looking at a lean, trim, fit bureaucracy in city government, that's when you can start to see all of these deficits start to slow down and drop. There's a lot of work to be done, there's no question about it, and it's not going to be easy. There are some priorities that are going to have to be taken. I look at the city planning process where you have

ning process where you have a discretionary design review that takes 2-1/2 to three years to accomplish. This is what you have to go through if you want to start a new business or expand an existing one. No wonder the business com-No winder the business community feels that they don't want to develop here in San Francisco. You have payroll tax, you have gross receipts tax, you have an extension of the business tax since the earthquake—it was supposed to have been a two-year sunset clause; now it's going on indefinitely. You have the possibility of a 50 percent increase in real estate transfer tax. A classic example is the Pacific Telesis Corp. here. Their payroll tax per employ-Their payroll tax per employee translates to \$720 each. Los Angeles is the closest city to us in payroll tax and that's \$240 per person. That's an almost \$500 difference per emmost \$500 difference per employee for payroll tax. So the business community is walking away from San Francisco, they're voting with their feet. Art Agnos' answer is "this is a liberal city; I'm a liberal mayor; the business community just has to understand."

BAR: Was there anybody below you in the San Francisco Police Department who wanted to set an example with the Oct. 6, 1989, police

with the Oct. o, 1989, police riot in the Castro, who wanted to confront ACT UP?

JORDAN:No, not to my knowledge. My role in that was kind of secondary because I knew that the demonstration was soing to take stration was going to take place, but I was going to a dinner at Stanford University that night, and I was calling in on my car phone periodi in on my car phone periodi-cally, maybe every hour and a half, to see what was going on, and it was only in the last part when I heard that there were demonstrators being ar-rested in the intersection at Castro and Market. So I heard there were 58 demon-strators arrested and I didn't hear the rest

strators arrested and I didn't hear the rest.

So when I came back to San Francisco I dropped into the Operations Center at the Hall of Justice and I asked what was the status of the event and I was told we had 58 arrests, and there were a couple of injuries, one individual fell off of a newspaper rack, and the impression I had as I left was that everything had worked out OK. I didn't even know about the sweep at this time. I went to bed thinking everything was fine.

fine.

The next morning around 7:30 I received phone calls from the deputy mayor of public safety and a police commissioner who said we were going to have a meeting in the mayor's office to discuss what happened the night before, and that surprised me. before, and that surprised me. When I went in I found out that there were some differences of opinion. We didn't just have arrests, we had a (Continued on page 26)

College Student Experiences AIDS Bias

by Karen Ocamb

LOS ANGELES - "I've al-LOS ANGELES — "I've always believed that there are no AIDS victims," W. Wayne Karr said at a Nov. 22 news conference on the campus of Los Angeles City College. "I've been living with AIDS for five years. But on Sept. 19, I began dying of AIDS in D. J. Wilson's classroom."

On Sept. 19, LACC Political Science Professor Dr. Don J. Wilson refused to accept papers from Karr after he said he had AIDS. Wilson then told Karr, in front of about 50 other students, that he had "considerations" about permitting Karr to remain in his classroom because of Karr's

Karr, a summa cum laude student at LACC, filed a grievance with the school Sept. 25, charging Wilson with HIV discrimination.

The news conference was held to announce that though LACC guidelines mandated a reply to Karr's grievance by Nov. 22, none had been forthcoming.

Karr has asked LACC to require Wilson to make a public apology to all persons with HIV; to dismiss Wilson;



Los Angeles City College student W. Wayne Karr protests AIDS phobia on campus Nov. 22. (Photo: Karen Ocamb)

and to institute intensive AIDS-awareness and sensitivity education and training for both the faculty and the student body.

Karr has also asked that the Student AIDS Center be relocated on-campus.

"This institution is (an AIDS) time bomb ready to explode," he said.

Karr has also questioned how, 10 years into the AIDS epidemic, a college professor could display such a lack of knowledge about the disease

Wilson has been teaching at LACC since 1968. He has two master's degrees and a doctorate from the University

of California-Los Angeles. Karr said he held Wilson and LACC responsible for the deterioration of his health

since the Sept. 17 incident. He said he had lost weight, had shingles and required psychological and physical assistance "as a direct result of what happened in that class-

Several other people spoke at the news conference on Karr's behalf, including David Smith, communications director for the Gay and Lesbian Community Services

Center.

Smith, who came out as HIV positive at the news conference, said he was grateful to Voren.

to Karr.

"What he's doing — standing up to Wilson and the school — he's doing for all people infected with HIV and personally, I can't thank him enough," Smith said. ▼

Chico Cadets Fight To Save ROTC

by Ben Carlson

A 15-year Army veteran is leading an effort to keep the Chico campus of the California State University from following through on its decision to end its Reserve Officers Training Corps program because of the military's ban

on gays.

Maj. Doug Campbell, who Maj. Boug campben, who left front-line service in Israel for what he thought would be "a nice quiet teaching assignment" in military science at the school, said he was optimistic after meeting Nov. 14

mistic after meeting 100. 14 with Barry Munitz, chancellor of the CSU system.

His cadets are seeking a referendum to put the issue of keeping ROTC to a vote in the next student election.

However, Campbell's lob-bying efforts are "not realis-tic," according to sociology professor and faculty senator Kathleen Kaiser, who au-thored the resolution ending

thored the resolution ending the program.

"We've passed the resolu-tion and (Chico President Robin) Wilson has said in print that he would follow through with it," Kaiser said.

"The CSU system has taken

the position that each campus has the right to treat the issue the way they want to?"

Chico is due to phase out its four-year-old ROTC program next semester, after the 32 cadets enrolled in the program finish their classes

32 cadets enrolled in the program finish their classes.

"Any time you discriminate you hurt students," Kaiser said in response to Campbell's suggestion that the ban will hurt students who depend on the ROTC program. "We don't know how many students might have joined the ROTC in the past, but were stopped by the anti-gay position of the Department of Defense. Those who were forbidden from entering the program or who tering the program or who felt compelled to lie in order to get in, and then were afraid of being found out, have been burt?

have been hurt."
Several CSU campuses have put pressure on the De-partment of Defense to end its ban on gays, including Bakersfield, Fresno, Los An-geles, Sacramento and San Francisco.

Chico is the only campus in the system so far to have moved to end its ROTC program.

L.A. Ruling Favors HIV Confidentiality

by Karen Ocamb

LOS ANGELES - A Los Angeles Superior Court judge has ruled that an HIV-infected patient's confidentiality and constitutional right to privacy outweighs a lawyer's litigation privilege to publish the name, address and occu-pation as part of the facts of a

case.

L.A. Superior Court Judge
David Mireles made his decision Dec. 3 as part of an ongoing battle in what may be the
first recorded case of an HIVinfected patient being sued by
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a health-care worker.

During routine cosmetic breast surgery at The Breast breast surgery at The Breast Center in L.A. last July, client Jan Lustig heard surgical technician Diane Boulais exclaim, "Ouch." Lustig looked up and saw that Boulais had apparently been nicked by the doctor's scalpel. Neither Boulais nor Dr. Neal Handel were wearing gloves or protective garments.

When Lustig inquired why the doctor was not using unit

when Lustig inquired why
the doctor was not using universal health precautions,
Lustig claims Handle said, "I
know I'm being lax, but you
don't look like someone with
AIDS."

At that point Lustig dis-

AIDS."
At that point Lustig disclosed that she is, in fact, HIV positive.
Boulais filed a lawsuit against Lustig for failing to disclose her HIV status prior to the surgery. Boulais also brought the case to the attention of the pational media. tion of the national media, disclosing Lustig's name, address, occupation and HIV status and medical informa-

status and medical information about the procedure Lustig had undergone at The Breast Center.

On Oct. 28 Lustig filed a countersuit charging that Boulais, The Breast Center and their attorneys violated her right to privacy. It was this claim that was upheld Dec. 3.

"This is a big win for people with HIV in having their HIV status kept private," said gay civil rights attorney John Duran. "This upholds the California law that says even health-care workers are not

health-care workers are not free to tell the world about a patient's health-care status."

Attorney Tom Kendricks, Duran's partner in the firm of Duran, Loquvam, and Kendricks, argued that "the attorneys and the nurse violated (The Confidentiality of Medical Records Act) that makes it unlawful to disclose medical information provided by a patient to a health-care provider, thereby having the

by a patient to a health-care provider, thereby having the attorney assist his client in breaking the law."

"What's also important about this," Kendricks said in a phone interview, "is that most HIV-infected patients don't even know that they are protected under this law."

Attorneys from Mitchell, Silberberg, and Knupp, one of the largest law firms in L.A., plan to appeal the decision. There was no monetary judgment made in the case. judgment made in the case

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Host Connie Norman chats with guest David Smith of the Center as GLAAD/LA's Rich Jennings looks on.

Radio

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with incoming live calls. But Norman handled the situation with grace, humor and the strong opinions for which she is known.

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Norman bantered with Tom Avila, XEK's marketing manager and conservative regular host (whom Jennings calls "the poor man's Rush Limbaugh"), about the labels some people attach to other people. Avila asked Norman if, as a transexual, she considered herself a heterosexual or a homosexual.

"I don't care. I'm a sex change, not a lobotomy," Norman replied to the howis and snapping fingers of the live audience. "I run the gamut of the human experience. I can't be labelled."

be labelled."
"That's the understatement
of the night," Avila replied.
In an earlier interview,
Avila said that the programmers at the news-and-talk station, which is known as "The
New 95 AM," want to create
a "niche" as a station that is

fair and not afraid to show all

fair and not afraid to show all sides of an argument.
"We want to be a station that people know isn't going to manipulate your thinking in a certain way," he said. Avila said he believes that The Connie Norman Show will be a "booming success," regardless of managements' avowed conservatism. owed conservatism.

He also said the station in

He also said the station intends to syndicate the show, and considers San Francisco the first logical outlet. Previously, Norman had asked David Smith, communications director of the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center, how the community felt about having a transsexual woman as the show's xual woman as the show's

host.
"You're the heart and soul

"You're the heart and soul of the community. You're in it," Smith replied.
"We're damn proud you're on the air."

The Connie Norman Show can best be heard in San Diego, Orange County and Santa Barbara but can be picked up in parts of Los Angeles. The show airs weekdays from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on 95 AM. The call-in number is (800) 540-95AM.

Gay Judge Comes Out as PWA

by Karen Ocamb

LOS ANGELES — Municipal Court Judge Rand Schrader, one of five openly gay California judges, came out as a person with AIDS in a Nov. 25 Los Angeles Times article. He is apparently the first sitting judge with AIDS. Schrader was diagnosed last month after a six-day bout with Pneumocystis pneumonia. He returned to work as soon as he recuperated.

Schrader's commitment not to live a double life prompted him to reveal his

AIDS status.
"It became clear to me that there is a responsibility to other people with AIDS and HIV not to make it look like I'm frightened or ashamed or that I'm going to be intimidated by the consequences of being open about this disease," said.

Schrader said that ne uncussed going public with his AIDS diagnosis with his partner David Bohnett and close friends like Torie Osborn, exceptive director of the Gay Schrader said that he disecutive director of the Gay and Lesbian Community Ser-

and Lesbian Community Services Center.

"Illness is so personal," Schrader said in a Nov. 29 phone interview. "You're not sure whether you always want all the world right there in your life."

But Schrader realized that his health was a news story and ultimately, he said, "the good outweighed giving up

my privacy" in order to possibly help others.

In particular, he feels that it's important to show his non-gay friends and associates that there's a "real, live person with AIDS in their midst."

Schrader said that the response among court administrators and workers to his ditrators and workers to his di-agnosis has been "150 percent supportive," and that there has been no adverse reaction from any of the people whose cases are assigned to his

He said that if in the fu-ture he was confronted with AIDSphobia, he would "take care of it."
Schrader said he intended

to continue working for as long as he is able. "It's tremendously impor-

"It's tremendously impor-tant that people who are suf-fering from HIV, and people who have AIDS, don't get the message that they have to give up," Schrader told the Times. "Or retire. Or hide from the world. They can't feel that others won't accept them."

He said that the openness he has practiced since the Gay Liberation Front days 20 years ago helped him to be open about his AIDS status

"Every time we're open, we don't buy into the negative attitudes," he said. "We say, "We won't let you shut us up! We won't be afraid, even with the prices we sometimes have to pay. The strongest

weapon we have is the exercise of openness. It becomes difficult to live otherwise."

difficult to live otherwise."
An ardent activist, Schrader said he has "tremendous respect for everybody who has been fighting for gay rights and on AIDS issues for all these years. ... It's not always good to measure our value by whether we succeed but by how hard we try. We should be filled with appreciation and respect for each other because we are trying so hard."

Schrader said it was a "shock" when he fell ill since he had never been sick before and had never been in a hos-

pital.

"I always thought I was a lucky person who would not move to the stage of having an opportunistic infection," he said. "That's a blow."

But true to his commitment as chairman of the Los Angeles County AIDS Commission, Schrader insisted on keeping a meeting with Su.

mission, Schrader insisted on keeping a meeting with Su-pervisor Ed Edelman and representatives of the United Way before he went into the hospital last month. He wanted to "keep the. pressure on" the United Way to give more money to AIDS agencies.

agencies

agencies.

A graduate of UC-Berkeley and UCLA Law School, Schrader became the first openly gay staffer in the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office.

Foodhandler Testing Killed

by Karen Ocamb

LOS ANGELES - A controversial proposal by Los Angeles City Councilmember Angeles City Councilmember Nate Holden that would re-quire HIV testing every six months for all foodhandlers was killed after an intense three-hour debate in the coun-cil's Arts, Health, and Human-ities Committee Dec. 2.

chis Arts, reearth, and Tramarities Committee Dec. 2.

Holden said he proposed the measure because "there is so much unknown about the disease," and even a "remote possibility" of contracting HIV from restaurant workers is sufficient cause to warrant testing. Joel Wachs, chair of the committee that heard the proposal, argued that no medical evidence supports the proposition that HIV can be transmitted by foodhandlers.

To bolster his argument, Holden showed a 1988 videotape produced by New Dimensions Magazine called "AIDS," featuring Rep. William Dannemeyer and other "AIDS experts."

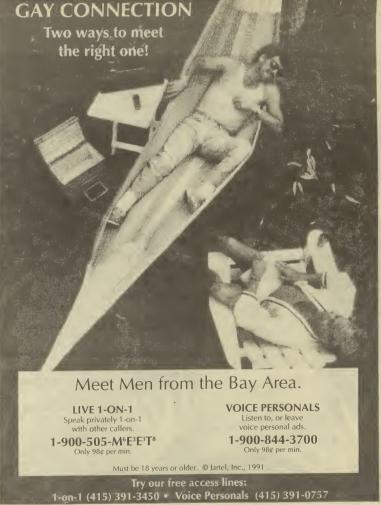
Gregg Nelson, Wachs' press secretary, said that he believes that Holden obtained

the tape from a San Fernan-do Valley-based right-wing group called the Coalition for Common Sense.

Representatives from the group have often appeared before the City Council, Nel-son said, decrying AIDS edu-cation and condom distribution programs. In a previous meeting, one group member apparently told the City Council that "gays drink each other's urine and eat each others from" ers feces.

Nelson speculates that Holden "befriended" the group to "broaden his hori-

At press time, Holden was unavailable for comment. His press secretary Betty Pleasant-Miller said that she doesn't have "the slightest idea" how Holden got the tape but "he believes it's a wonderful thing." She said Holden may reintroduce a proposal to test restaurant workers for "other kinds of contagious diseases" such as tuberculosis and hepatitis A, which Holden told the Los Angeles Times "are AIDS-related diseases."





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National News

Porn Actor Cleared of Murder

United Press International

NEW YORK - An aspir-NEW YORK — An aspiring gay porn movie performer accused of stabbing his agent to death was found innocent and freed after more than a year in jail, the Manhattan District Attorney's Office said Nov. 20.

narian District Attorney's Or-fice said Nov. 29.

A Manhattan jury in state
Supreme Court deliberated
for a day and a half to clear
Michael Kelly, 21, of murder and manslaughter charges stemming from the death of Michael Frank, an Off-Broadway producer who Kelly said was his agent.

Kelly said he was fighting

off a rape attack in Frank's East Village apartment when he stabbed the 46-year-old producer three times, using a knife from his kitchen.

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The victim was found clad only in his underwear on a couch in his 41 E. 1st St. apartment on Aug. 23, 1990.

Kelly, who lived nearby at 31 E. 1st St., was accused of killing Frank during a robbery, Assistant District Attorney Stephen Saraco said.

"We never knew how much money was taken," said Saraco who said Frank's wallet was found empty at the

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urder scene. Kelly, who described him-

self as a porn movie per-former, met police at the mur-der scene where he said he had gone to retrieve his bag. Police arrested him about a week later after he changed

a week later after he changed his story and said in written and videotaped statements later presented to his jury that he killed Frank in self-defense, Saraco said.

Kelly was jailed from the time of his arrest until his acquittal, Saraco said.

Neither he nor his legal

Neither he nor his legal aid lawyer Murray Singer could be reached for comment.

OSHA Rules Require Employers To Provide AIDS Precautions

United Press International

WASHINGTON - Em-WASHINGTON — Employers must require workers to follow established precautions against transmission of infections such as AIDS and hepatitis-B under new rules announced Dec. 2 by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Such precautions could protect patients from transporters and the such precautions could protect patients from transporters.

protect patients from trans-mission of a virus from an in-fected health-care worker.

"Basically we are provid-ing full legal force to what are known as universal precautions, requiring employers and employees to treat blood and certain body fluids as potentially infectious and to take steps to prevent such in-fections," Assistant Secretary of Labor Gerard Scannell

said.
Universal precautions, established by the Centers for Disease Control, call for the use of protective clothing such as gloves, gowns and eye shields when exposure to blood is likely, such as during surgery or on an accident

Under regulations that begin taking effect in March 1992, employers must establish infection control plans for workers who could be exposed to blood or other infec-

posed to blood or other infec-tious material.

The programs must in-clude free vaccinations against hepatitis-B, supplies of protective gear, training of workers about infection control, and medical follow-up af-ter possible exposure to infec-

"Voluntary vaccination of workers (against hepatitis-B) workers (against hepatitis-B) at the employer's expense could prevent most of those (hepatitis-B) infections in the workforce," Scannell said. "This in turn reduces the risk of the workers transmitting (hepatitis-B) infections to others."

ers."

The regulations also say employees who do not use the precautions should be dis-ciplined. Employers violating OSHA rules face fines up to \$70,000. "If you follow universal

"If you follow universal precautions, there is no addi-

tional burden," Scannell said at a news conference to announce the rules.

He said most hospitals and

doctors already complied, al-though the regulations might require employers to perform additional follow-up and to maintain more thorough records relating to infection

control.

An estimated 5.6 million workers are affected. While most work in hospitals, nursing homes and doctor's ofing notices and doctors of-fices, the regulations also ap-ply to those in other occupa-tions where exposure could occur, such as in funeral homes, linen services and law enforcement.

enforcement.
OSHA estimated the average cost for a doctor's office at \$1,100 per year. A dentist's costs would average \$872, Scannell said.
While only 25 people have become infected in the work-

place with the human immun-odeficiency virus, which causes AIDS, occupational exposure causes up to 7,400 cases of hepatitis-B each year, Scannell said.

Congressional Benchmark Achieved

100 Signed on for Gay Rights

by Cliff O'Neill

WASHINGTON — After over a decade of deferred hopes and a year of intense lobbying, gay activists have reached the long wished-for benchmark of 100 active cosponsors on the House's federal gay and lesbian civil rights bill.

As an added bonus, the

As an added bonus, the Senate's version of the measure picked up another spon-

sure picked up another sponsor, bringing its number of of-ficial backers to a record 14. "One hundred is a mile-stone," said Gregory King, spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "We have reached the highest point yet. But we still have a lot of work to do."
"Many activists in the gay

Many activists in the gay "Many activists in the gay and lesbian community have worked hard to move us to 100 co-sponsors," said Peri Jude Radecic, lobbyist for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "And it's the activists in those 100 members' districts who should be credited with this offert"."

ited with this effort."

On Nov. 21, Rep. Ed Pas

tor (D-Ariz.) became the 100th

tor (D-Ariz.) became the 100th House co-sponsor.
"I've been a lifelong supporter of civil rights," said Pastor, through a spokeswoman. "I don't think that anybody should be denied their civil rights, no matter what their religious or sexual ... persuasion might be."

Pastor was voted into office earlier this year in a special election to complete the

cial election to complete the cial election to complete the term of retired Rep. Morris Udall (D). A supervisor of Maricopa County, which includes Phoenix, Pastor won his seat with heavy gay and lesbian support, including a \$5,000 contribution from HRCF's political action compared to the property of HRCF's political action com-

mittee.
At the same time, Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-N.J.) full-filled an almost decade-old campaign promise to co-sponsor the Senate's version of the bill.
Lautenberg, a liberal Democrat, has in his nearly 10 years in the Senate amassed a largely supportive record on gay and lesbian issues and was instrumental in

getting increased funding for a popular AIDS care program over the past two years. Despite being "fairly to very supportive on gay and lesbian issues," according to HRCF political director Eric Rosenthal Lautenberg had

HRCF political director Ēric Rosenthal, Lautenberg had deferred officially backing the measure since he was first elected in 1982.

"The New Jersey Gay and Lesbian Coalition as well as other folks have worked so long and so hard to make Sen. Lautenberg a co-sponsor of that bill and hold him to his word of almost a decade ago," added Radecic, crediting long-term work by the state's ago, added Radecic, crediting long-term work by the state's biggest gay rights group for the senator's action.

The senator did not have a statement on his action.

Introduced to every Congress since 1975, the measure would ban discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in housing, employment, public accommodations and programs receiving federal funds. ▼

Nation Briefs

Boy Who Fought AIDS, Bias Dies

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (UPI) — Ryan Thomas, an AIDSinfected youngster who went to court in 1986 to win the
right to attend kindergarten, has died of a brain seizure at
his home. He was 10. The youngster, who always had a
bright smile, battled AIDS and prejudice all his life after he
was infected with a tainted blood transfusion shortly after
his premature birth. Thomas drew national attention in
1986 when his parents were forced to go to court to win the
right for him to attend a kindergarten class in nearby Atascadero. The ruling barred other districts from discriminating against children with AIDS. Robin Thomas, the boy's
father, said his son had lived a full life. As the local residents, who once shunned the child, watched the bravery
with which Thomas battled his disease, they began to embrace him. More than 200 people attended a birthday party
for the youngster in a park last month. Thomas endured a
yearlong ordeal of strokes and seizures that left him partially paralyzed. Still, his father says, the youngster battled
back bravely and vowed to help others with his disease.

Johnson Increases AIDS Awareness

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — America's concern about AIDS appears to have heightened in the wake of Magic Johnson's announcement that he has contracted the virus that causes the deadly disease, a survey published Nov. 28 showed. But a majority of those interviewed in the Los Angeles Times Poll said the basketball star "should have known better," the survey found. Nearly one-third of those surveyed in the nationwide poll said they were very concerned about their the survey found. Nearly one-third of those surveyed in the nationwide poll said they were very concerned about their own risk of getting AIDS, up from one-fifth in *Times* polls in the mid- and late-1980s. Of the 1,709 adult Americans surveyed, 23 percent said they had changed their sexual behavior because of AIDS fears, including higher percentages of young people, singles and blacks. However, those levels were barely changed from those found in polls taken before Johnson's announcement. Fifty-one percent agreed with the statement that Johnson "should have known better and now he's paying the price," while 39 percent said they felt that Johnson "is an unfortunate victim of chance."

Judge Sides With Peep Show Booths

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CAMDEN, N.J. (UPI) — A Superior Court judge has ruled that an adult bookstore may keep its private peep show booths despite a community's claim that the booths could help spread the AIDS virus. "AIDS hysteria is not a reason to revoke constitutional rights," Judge Theodore Davis said in his ruling. In a two-hour hearing, the borough of Stratford argued that patrons of Cupid's Corner could masturbate in the coin-operated booths and that could lead to health hazards, even the transmission of the AIDS virus. Attorneys for owners Carl Papa and Carvelle Distributors contended that there is no evidence to prove that AIDS can be spread by masturbation. Cupid's Corner had operated peaceably in Stratford for 17 years, and the borough had no right to revoke the bookstore's license in January, said attorney Lewis Robertson. Davis agreed, saying the borough failed to provide sufficient evidence of a health hazard. Borough attorneys plan to appeal the action by seeking eviough attorneys plan to appeal the action by seeking evidence from other states where private booths screening sexually explicit movies have posed health and safety problems. The bookstore has continued operating under a temporary restraining order, made permanent by Davis' ruling.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — Magic Johnson's decision to advocate abstinence over safe sex as a way to avoid exposure to the HIV virus reflects the view of a majority of Americans, a survey reported Nov. 27. In the telephone survey of 2,013 adults around the country conducted by the Gannett Co's USA Weekend, 54 percent said they were troubled that promoting "safe sex" sends the message that society condones casual sex. Fifty-six percent said they believe teen-agers need to hear a stronger "no sex" message than they hear now — the message Johnson earlier this week said he would stress. The survey asked: "Does the safe sex message trouble you because you think it might condone casual sex?" Fifty-four percent said yes, 43 percent said no and 3 percent said they did not know. When asked, "Do you think today's teen-agers hear too much, too little or just enough about saying no to sex," 56 percent said they hear too little about abstinence.

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PHILADELPHIA (UPI) — A nationwide surge in tuberculosis cases could prompt a small Philadelphia pharmaceutical firm to resume production of a drug effective in treating the disease. Officials at Lannett Co. said the company stopped making the drug paraaminosalicylic acid, known as PAS, about a year ago because it was unprofitable. But company President Barry Weisberg said PAS production could be resumed if the need existed. Authorities with the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said there are 10 drugs used to treat tuberculosis. Two of those drugs, PAS and streptomycin, made by Pfizer Inc., were once widely used to combat some of the most drug-resistant forms of TB. Both drugs are no longer produced. While Pfizer has expressed a willingness to resume production of the TB drug, it is barred by the Food and Drug Administration from importing a key ingredient of the drug. TB had been considered nearly eradicated in the United States just a few years ago, having declined steadily during a 40-year period. But CDC figures show that TB cases increased 15 percent between 1988 and 1990 and that the trend is continuing. Illicit drug users and AIDS patients are particularly susceptible to the disease.

National News

Worldwide AIDS Day Observed

United Press International

Activists darkened the New York, Chicago and other skylines to mourn thousands of bright stars killed by the deadly AIDS virus.

Some 1,000 cultural organizations around the country Dec. 1 also presented special programs or speakers to mark World AIDS Day.

"Day Without Art" and "Night Without Light" programs were held to dramatize the epidemic that experts say

grams were held to dramatize the epidemic that experts say now kills one person every 10 minutes in the United States. In New York City, several landmark buildings turned their lights off for 15 minutes as a memorial to the victims. "We are dimming the Manhattan skyline ... in tribute to people with AIDS," said Alexander Gray, a spokesman for Visual Aids, a collective of arts professionals who organisations with the contraction of the contraction

for Visual Aids, a collective of arts professionals who organized the day in response to the number of people who die of AIDS.

"It is the same as a moment of silence in terms of mourning and raising awareness," Gray said. "It's a way for the city to show its sorrow for the lives lost to AIDS."

Among the more than 100 famous New York structures participating, the United Na-

tamous New York structures participating, the United Nations, Empire State Building, World Trade Center, Rockefeller Center and the Chrysler Building all dimmed their lights. Broadway theaters also ioined in

lights. Broadway theaters also joined in.
Chicago city officials marked the devastation brought by AIDS by dimming the lights of the city's Christmas tree for an hour Sunday light two days after. Sunday, just two days after Mayor Richard Daley pulled

a switch lighting the tree.

The Art Institute of Chicago temporarily removed one of its famous Impressionist paintings Dec. 1, joining some 1,000 cultural organizations nationwide in marking World AIDS, Day

nationwide in marking World AIDS Day.

The museum removed Claude Monet's On the Seine at Bennecourt from public view to mark the event, "A Day Without Art: A National Day of Mourning."

Institute officials hung a sign of explanation in the missing nainting's place.

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Museum directors said in a

statement that they made the gesture to "signify the tremendous loss that continues to be suffered by the arts community as a result of the impact and consequences of AIDS"

Chicago's Museum of Con-temporary Art also marked the day of mourning, donat-ing all the proceeds from ad-missions to the AIDS Foun-

Art organizations have held the day of mourning every year since 1989.

Guidelines

has decided to drop a list of surgical and dental proce-dures that HIV-infected health care workers should not perform. No decision has been made on that issue, he

been made on that issue, he said.

The reports, apparently based on a CDC draft proposal, said that instead of a list of banned procedures, there would be a process for identifying infected health care workers who do not meet standards of infection control or whose stamina or mental state makes them unfit to practice.

Under the draft guidelines, according to the reports, the

Under the draft guidelines, according to the reports, the role of local panels in determining whether individual health workers are fit to perform certain procedures would be strengthened.

The CDC proposed a revision of guidelines last July for health care workers to follow to prevent transmission of

HIV that included the list of surgical and dental procedures HIV-infected workers should not perform.

The proposal appeared to be spurred by the emotional appeal and wide media coverage of Kimberly Bergalis, a Florida woman who may have been infected by her dentist. In a bitter letter to health officials in June, Bergalis called for mandatory testing of health care workers.

But the proposal aroused a storm of protest among

storm of protest among health care professionals who insisted there was no scientifically valid reason for the rules. They expressed their opposition to federal health officials at a Nov. 4 meeting. On Dec. 2, the Labor Department issued new regulations, which take effect next year, requiring health care and other workers to take precautions as if all blood and body fluids were infectious. body fluids were infectious. Employers failing to implement appropriate precautions would face fines up to \$70,000.





 $\label{thm:composition} The \ Living Room, located on \ 18th \ St. \ in the \ Castro, provides \ relaxation \ and \ support for people \ with \ HIV \ and \ AIDS.$

Elephant Walk Benefit to Aid Deaf C.A.P., The Living Room

A special benefit will be held Dec. 8 at Elephant Walk to raise money for the Deaf Community AIDS Project

and The Living Room.

The event is scheduled to coincide with the lighting of the Castro Christmas tree, which will be held that same

which will be held that same evening.
Beginning at 6 p.m., guests will enjoy a special spaghetti feast, be entertained by comedian Tom Ammiano and pianist Dennis Crow, and get the chance to meet a surprise visitor who plans to arrive during the festivities.

Both the Deaf Community AIDS Project (also known as Deaf C.A.P.) and The Living

Room are well known for their work during the AIDS crisis.

Deaf C.A.P. was formed in 1988 to assist gay deaf PWAs with information and support, as well as monetary contribu-

tions.

Because it is difficult for many deaf people to communicate with mainstream AIDS groups, there is a tendency to avoid asking for assistance. Deaf C.A.P. bridges the gap between those organizations and the deaf, providing advocate access and referrals to other AIDS agencies.

The Living Room, located on 18th Street in the heart of the Castro, provides a space for people with AIDS and HIV infection. groups, there is a tendency to

Situated in a two-story building with outside patio, the organization offers a place for people to spend the day with friends in a supportive atmosphere. Food and beveratmosphere. Food and beverages are provided, as well as TV, videos and reading material. Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners are provided, and often money is raised at garage sales held throughout the year.

Everyone is invited to this Christmas event for \$10 at

Everyone is invited to this Christmas event. For \$10 at the door, guests will enjoy a spaghetti dinner and two complimentary well drinks of choice. Sign language interpreter Jay Wilson will be present to interpret for the deaf during the benefit. \(\bigvar*\)

Judge Will Stay On Skinhead Case

by Dennis Conkin

A motion to have Juvenile Court Judge Donald Mitchell removed from the case in-volving a juvenile female con-victed in an August 1990 gay

victed in an August 1990 gay bashing in the Castro was de-nied last week. "This means that Judge Mitchell will now hear our motion for his reconsideration of the disposition of this case," said Assistant District

case," said Assistant District Attorney Keith Vines.
Vines' motion for Mitchell's recusal was originally assigned to presiding SF Superior Court Judge Edward Stern but bumped to an Alameda County Superior Court judge picked by the California Judicial Council after Stern decided he couldn't make an impartial ruling on the matter.

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The case involves the disposition of Mearra Spencer, who was sentenced to six months in county jail (work furlough) and community service for her role in the gay bashing of Jon Ebarb and Chris Minor last year.

In that incident, Spencer was found guilty of felony assult and the crime fellow.

sault and hate crimes follow-ing a jury trial.

Ebarb and Minor were as-

saulted by Spencer, then a juvenile, another juvenile female and two skinheads, Brandon Rosenberg and Brandon Rosenberg and Thomas Miles. All were convicted. Rosen-

berg was sentenced to three years in state prison, and

Miles served a term in county jail after his prison sentence was suspended. He was also sentenced to serve 100 hours of community service at a gay or lesbian social service group but failed to appear following his release from jail.

A bench warrant for his ar-

rest was issued, according to

The other juvenile female The other juvenile female in the case was sentenced last month to two months in jail by Alameda County Juvenile Court Judge Claudette Brooks. The Alameda County district attorney had recommended sentencing to the California Youth Authority.

Spencer's case was the subject of controversy in September after Mitchell reduced her jail sentence to about six weeks of time served and the completion of community service.

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After Bay Area Reporter news accounts of the reduction, Mitchell slapped a gag order on Vines that precluded him from discussing the case.

Mitchell declined to discuss the case with the B.A.R., citing confidentiality of juvenile proceedings, but lifted the gag order after the B.A.R. notified him that it would seek a writ at the Court of Appeal in the matter.

Under California law, juvenile cases such as Spencer's that involve charges of assault with a deadly weapon are not confidential, and transcripts and other court documents are public record.

Kopp (Continued from page 2)

formed a die-in, dropping to the ground chanting, "One AIDS death every seven min-

Nancy Solomon, an ACT UP member, felt the demon-stration accomplished the in-

stration accomplished the intended goals.

"The point was to put Kopp on notice. He can either deal with us or be hounded by us. We are demanding personal accountability from slimy politicians."

Solomon said she had been collecting signatures for

needle exchange at the Stonestown Mall, which proves that "the fact is even people in conservative districts do support needle exchange. (Kopp's) just out of step with San Francisco."

ACT UP/San Francisco has scheduled a meeting with Kopp on Dec. 13, and they warned Sunday that if he does not attend, he will prove that he is apathetic about the

does not attend, he will prove that he is apathetic about the AIDS epidemic. In a Nov. 30 letter to his neighbors, Kopp said, "A rad-ical group of demonstrators, calling themselves Queer Na-tion, plans to disrupt the neighborhood at about noon on Sunday ... with activities in front of our house ... I regret any inconvenience to you; unfortunately, these are the types of acts which seem to characterize our city's life over the last four years at un. over the last four years, at un-necessary expense to the tax-

payers."
Kopp, who is supporting
Frank Jordan in the mayoral
runoff Dec. 10, was apparently taking a swipe at Mayor
Art Agnos and the proliferation of gay and AIDS demonstrations that have occurred
in San Francisco on his

Queer Nation was not involved in the action.

Castro Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec. 8

by Dennis Conkin

The Community Christmas tree lighting ceremony will be held on Dec. 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. at 18th and Castro streets in front of the Security Pacific

Illusionist Jim Bailey will be on hand to celebrate the festivities.

All who attend the event are asked to please bring a can of food, especially tuna or or canned fruits or other non-perishable items to donate to the AIDS Food Bank.

South of Market Merchants and Individuals Lifestyle Events, which sponsors the annual event, announced last week that the Lesbian and Gay Men's Choward Market Mark rus will not be performing as announced earlier due to a previously scheduled concert.

The cost of the tree is paid for by donations from Castro and South of Market merchants and boosters.

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Marin County's MCC Closing Its Doors

by Dennis Conkin

After 12 years, Metropolitan Community Church of the Redwoods, a small Marin County congregation of the national fellowship, is ending

The church organized and sponsored the first ever Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade in Marin County last

A celebration of the church's efforts in Marin County will be held Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. at Redwoods Presbyterian Church in Larkspur.

"In the end, it was a consensus decision," according to the Rev. Coni Staff, MCC pas-

Staff resigned as pastor in November. In August, Staff's part-time teaching and coaching position at City College of San Francisco became full time and she found that she "could no longer do justice to

both jobs."

The small congregation also cited "limited resources"

in its decision to disband.

An organist and two other clergy had resigned earlier in the year. ▼

Community Briefs

Citizens' Fax Line in Mayor's Office

A new fax line for public comments and suggestions has been installed in the Mayor's Office. The number is 554-7400. The 24-hour line supplements existing services offered by the Mayor's Citizen Assistance Center, which handles more than 150 calls, letters and public visits daily. About three-fourths of the inquiries are requests for help with specific problems, the remainder are statements of opinion on public issues, according to Mayor Art Agnos' office. The phone number for the MCAC in Room 160 of City Hall is 554-5711. The center is open from 9 am-5 pm.

Walker Named to Utilities Commission

Former San Francisco Supervisor Nancy Walker was named last month to the Public Utilities Commission by Mayor Art Agnos. First elected in 1979, Walker served 11 years on the Board of Supervisors until her retirement last year. She served one term as board president and two terms as chair of the Finance Committee. Walker has also served as a member of the Golden Gate Bridge District and as the local representative to the regional Committee for Water Policy Consensus. Walker is a health policy planner at the University of California-San Francisco. A social worker, she is also president of the Northern California Abortion Rights Action League.

Church Establishes HIV Testing

San Francisco's Glide Memorial Methodist Church has begun offering HIV testing on Sundays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The church expanded its free, anonymous testing program following Magic Johnson's announcement that he is HIV positive. More than 55 people received the AIDS antibody test at Glide when the Sunday program began on Nov. 17. According to United Methodist News Service, 78 people received counseling about HIV disease. Safe-sex kits including information and condoms were distributed to 320 people. The San Francisco Health Department funds the test site.

Gay Elected Officials Tour Schools

Board of Education Commissioner Tom Ammiano and Supervisor Roberta Achtenberg were among the dozen local officials that spent Dec. 3 visiting local schools as part of Elected Officials Day on Dec. 3. More than a dozen elected officials visited the schools and gave talks on their roles and responsibilities and answered students' questions. Achtenberg visited Jefferson School on Irving Street and Ammiano visited Lakeshore on Middlefield Drive. The program was coordinated by San Francisco School Volunteers, a non-profit educational group. profit educational group.

Benefit for BACORR at the Box

Bay Area Coalition or Our Reproductive Rights, a pro-choice clinic defense group that keeps Bay Area abortion choice clinic open and assures women safe access in the face of Operation Rescue's efforts to shut them down, will hold a benefit at the Kennel Club (The Box) Dec. 13. Josef Brinckmann and the Conspiracy of Equals, Hoi Polloi, Her Majesty the Baby, Love Nest and Jigsaw Murphy will perform. The cover is a sliding scale of \$5-10 and the show opens at 8 p.m. For more information contact BACORR at 541-5690.

Respite Care Program for Caregivers
Family members or friends needing a break from caregiving responsibilities for a loved one with AIDS/HIV may be eligible for the Respite Care Program of Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco. The program assigns trained attendants who will provide care and support for up to a total of 250 hours at no charge. Caregivers may use the support to go to work, take a vacation or just enjoy a period of relief from caregiving responsibilities. Residents of San Francisco are eligible to apply. Priority is given to persons who are uninsured or underinsured, who have a history of substance abuse, who are racial or ethnic minorities or who live in residential hotels. Secondary consideration, according to VNH is given to all others with AIDS/HIV disease who need respite care. For more information call the VNH Attendant Care Services at 861-8705.

High Tech Gays Community Award

Sponsored by High Tech Gays, a Santa Clara County group, the Richard P. Rudy Community Services Award honors an individual who has made a positive impact on the wellbeing of the lesbian and gay community of the South Bay. A committee comprised of HTG and community leaders makes the annual award. Nominations must be made by a member of HTG in good standing. The deadline for the nomination is February 1992 and the recipient will be announced in April 1992. For more information, call Don Nelson at (408) 379-5074.

Don't Bash Catholics, New Group Says

Reeling from continual criticism about the Roman Catholic Church's philosophy, a group of local Catholics have formed Catholics for Truth and Justice. Former U.S. Attorney Joe Russionello is a spokesman for the group. The San Francisco Archdiocese says the group is independent and not part of the official church structure. The group is angry at criticism of the church and its anti-gay stance and other controversial beliefs, including its opposition to reproductive rights, domestic partners legislation and condom distribution among sexually active, high-AIDS-risk teenagers.

Community News

Oakland AIDS Group Blasts United Way for Cut in Funds

by Dennis Conkin

The newly appointed director of Oakland's Center for AIDS Services is critical of United Way for cutting almost half of its yearly allot-

United Way for cutting almost half of its yearly allotment.

"We've been cut 43 percent, about \$15,000 we receive in discretionary funds," said CAS Director Jerry De Jong.

"We do an enormous amount of work for United Way and spend a great deal of time going out to agencies that request speakers and talk with people about the needs and ask people to designate funds," he said.

De Jong, an AIDS policy and planning expert, is the former director of 18th Street Services in San Francisco and the former HIV Early Intervention Program manager of the Health Department's AIDS Office. He was appointed director of CAS in September.

"Previously we received."

September.

"Previously we received about \$35,000 in United Way funds. It's a major reduction," De Jong said.

With an annual budget of

\$668,000, De Jong said the reduction was " a major cut" in

United Way funds.

The majority of CAS funds come from individual contributions and foundation grants.
"I think it's tremendously

According to John Stafford of the United Way, the funds come from the AIDS Crises Fund, which was set up in

1987.
The fund averages about \$400,000 a year, but this year, Stafford said, United Way had to subsidize the fund because there weren't enough undesignated contributions to keep the fund going.

ing.
Donors are "designating funds to the best-known AIDS organizations" and

AIDS organizations" and there were not enough undesignated funds to keep the other 15 or 20 agencies that apply for the grants going without UW kicking in additional funds, he said.

Shanti Project and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation receive two-thirds of the funds and the remainder are split among the other groups. The funds are disbursed based on "changing priorities," Stafford said.

The priorities and grant allocations are decided by a committee of volunteers who are involved in the AIDS field or are grant-makers.

Be that as it may, De Jong expressed concern that United Way was out of touch with the immensity of the need for increased funding for AIDS services and he said that the agency needed to make a "long-term commitment" to service providers.

De Jong said that an example of United Way's short-sightedness regarding AIDS and AIDS-service agency needs is that the agency took out an ad saluting some AIDS-service groups it funds in a recent issue of the Bay Area Reporter. The ad referred to CAS as the Center for AIDS Resources.

"I was absolutely disgusted. Don't they even know our name?" he said.

CAS provides social service, support, meal, recreation and other human services to more than 600 Alameda County residents with AIDS and HIV infection every month.

Concord

sure M, which repeals all gay, lesbian and bisexual anti-discrimination legislation, and which passed by 42 votes last month.

The activists handed out cards urging mall patrons to "Repeal Measure M" and literature questioning the shoppers' heterosexism.

Queer Nation took a different approach than in past actions. They notified mall se-curity and Concord police ahead of time and worked with the security forces in-stead of against them. They also urged activists

not to vandalize the mall, and they cleaned up after the action was over.

In return, mall security worked to protect the activists instead of trying to block the action.

Rebeccah Sturtz, a Queer

Nation organizer from Lafayette, said the action "went really well."

"We were received well and we accomplished our goal effectively without resorting to vandalism," Sturtz said. "People were glad to see us sweeping up. We came and acted with respect. I think Queer Nation is moving in the right direction."

A Oueer National named

Sunshine contrasted Saturday's action with a similar action last year, when mall security didn't allow activists to sing or travel in groups.

"The whole point is not to be confrontational or make people miserable," she said. "I want to reach all of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual teenagers who are in the closet and scared. I want to provide them with a positive, happy, and proud model of a gay, lesbian or bisexual person."

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For more information about these and other studies contact HIVCare Client Coordinator Drew Catapano at (415) 775-4321, ext. 2512. HIVCare is a program of Saint Francis Memorial Hospital, 900 Hyde Street, San Francisco.



HIV Watch



HIVer Glossary, Conclusion

by Michael C. Botkin

his is the fourth and final chapter of the HIV-er Glossary. Occasional updates and addenda will be issued when neceswill be issued when necessary, perhaps quarterly. Please feel free to send me (clo Bay Area Reporter) your favorite or most despised examples of AIDSspeak, and to mint phrases of your own. Remember that all terms will be evaluated for technical. be evaluated for technical ac-curacy, ease of comprehen-sion and Political Correct-

ness.
Today we consider the "pre-existing condi-"safe sex," and "T-

The phrase "pre-existing condition" is entirely a creation of the insurance industry, and to confront it we must, alas, enter their grim and deadly turf. This is a and deadly turf. This is a world dominated by raw, rampant capitalism, where the big boys make all the rules and change them at whim, while the consumers can protest only by taking their businesselsewhere—except there's no place else to cept there's no place else to

go.

The "condition" is whatev er sent you to the doctor.
"Pre-existing" means that you had it before your insurer, in their opinion, took responsib-lity for your health.

Health maintenance orga-

nizations rarely bother ex-cluding pre-existing condi-tions, as they figure on rip-ping you off so badly in gen-eral that even having AIDS is unlikely to even up the score. uninkely to even up the score. But private insurers have a remarkable talent for invoking "pre-ex" conditions to dump HIVers and other expensive patients. It's their favorite "kick 'em when they're down" tactic.

They seem to have taken

to heart the old Spanish proverb: "If thine enemy be in the water up to his knees, lend him thy hand and help him out; but if he be in up to

him out; but if he be in up to his neck, push him under."
The typical scenario plays out thusly. You started your insurance policy 10 years ago when your mother and your lover teamed up and insisted you get one. You've never lover teamed up and insisted you get one. You've never missed a premium payment, and never had anything worse than the flu. One morning you wake up and find that you can't breathe; you have pneumocystis, and are rushed to the hospital.

When you come to, you discover that your insurance has been cancelled. Upon close examination, they've de-

cided that the sore throat you had 12 years ago must have been caused by AIDS, and that therefore your problem that therefore your problem is a "pre-existing condition." They'll pay for any other problem you encounter, provided it isn't related to AIDS—though of course, everything that happens to you from this point on can be considered "related" to AIDS.

They figure you might die before you can challenge them. Hell, this bad news might help push you over the

them. Hell, this bad news might help push you over the edge! Or you might just give in. If you're tough, smart and/or lucky, you'll contest this sleaze and they'll back

These scams happen less often than they used to but still occur, fueled by the recent drive for "cost containment" in private health care. They will continue until we institute national health care in this country (i.e., no time

The very term "safe sex" implies a false dichotomy between safety and danger. It caters to the desire for a risk-free world, where if you follow just one or two simple rules, no harm will come to you. A far more accurate phrase is "risk reduction," but

phrase is "risk reduction," but this, alas, doesn't offer the same easy invulnerability sug-gested by "safe sex."

"There's no such thing as safe sex," the moralists intone smugly. "Only abstinence guarantees protection," they say. Then why do so many Catholic priests, an officially abstinent population, have AIDS?

The most popular form of risk reduction appears to be "partner selection," which is also the least effective technique. The vast majority of heterosexuals consider them-selves quite virtuous if they use condoms when tricking with a stranger. To suggest "safe sex" with a regular partner is seen as implying that a) ner is seen as implying that a) you consider them a slut, or b) you are yourself a slut; either way, it's considered best to avoid drawing attention to these possibilities.

At the bottom line (no pun

At the bottom line (no pun intended), safe sex consists of using a rubber when fucking. Oral sex, if it transmits HIV at all, does so at such a low rate that science can't detect it, but you're not allowed to acknowledge this if you get federal funding. Lesbians give lip service to safe sex (ahem) but very few actually practice it, although it's considered Po-litically Incorrect for them to

admit this.

Some people consider kissing "unsafe," after all, you can get herpes, hepatitis or mono from kissing. Others consider crossing their fingers and reciting a "Hail, Mary" to be adequate risk reduction. Until the mainstream is willing to talk about "sex," it is unlikely that they'll learn much about "safe sex." I'm still waiting for Barbara Bush to demonstrate "safe sex." I'm still waiting for Barbara Bush to demonstrate condom application tech-niques on TV.

T-Cells

Tcells are the sand in the hourglass. They are also known as T4 cells, CD-4 cells and "helper" Tcells. After 10 years of research, the Tcells remain the standard measure of the "progression" of HIV disease, charting the decline of

disease, charting the decime of your immune system.

("HIV disease," by the way, is today's bonus phrase. It is a far more technically accurate term than either "AIDS" or "ARC," and if AIDSspeak were heavily influenced by logic would promptly replace them both.)

A "Normal Person" has on

A Notiniar Fesson has on the average 1,000 Tcells per milliliter of blood. HIV infec-tion appears to kill off about 100 per year. When your count drops below 500 you become vulnerable to opportunistic infections.

At 200 you're well in the

danger zone for the traditional No. 1 killer of HIVers, Pneumocystis pneumonia. The 200 count will soon become the benchmark for an official "AIDS" diagnosis.

"AIDS" diagnosis.
According to a study presented at the last International
Conference on AIDS — and
considered the official best
news of that event — HIVers
with adequate medical care
are at little risk of death as
long as they have more than
50 Tcells. This tidbit would
have been more encouraging if
what the study considered "adequate" medical care wasn't equate" medical care wasn't unavailable for roughly 99 per-cent of the population with

The ugly flip side to this good news is that when you drop below 50 Teells you truly enter the valley of the shadow of death. Some HIVers with no countable Teells have survived for years completely. survived for years completely without hassle, but the odds clearly tilt against you when your immune system bottoms out and you have so few T-cells that you can name them. At this range bizarre oppor-tunistic infections blossom with demonic insistence and

shrug off attempts at conven-(Continued on page 27)

AIDS Drug Article Stirs Controversy

by Dave Gilden

An article published last month in the Bay Area Reporter on the underground AIDS drug DNCB has given the substance a new spurt of interest while creating a squabble over who supports claims to its effectiveness.

According to Dr. Raphael Stricker, DNCB's most visible medical promoter, the sub-stance works by stimulating immune system cells when it is applied to the skin.

These cells, called Langerhans cells, migrate into the body when stimulated. They then stimulate other disease-fighting cells and create an overall immune response.

DNCB is a traditional sensitizing agent. Measuring the rash created when it is painted on the skin is a test of immune system function.

Stricker argues that one of Stricker argues that one of the cell types multiplying in response to the stimulated Langerhans cells is the sup-pressor cells, the activity of which inhibits HIV replica-tion in other immune cells.

An increasingly popular medical theory is that AIDS really is an autoimmune disease in which the immune system becomes disordered as a result of HIV infection and attacks itself.

Stricker and other DNCB proponents hope that applying the chemical will reduce this improper immune func-

ing the chemical will reduce this improper immune func-tion by redirecting immune system activity. DNCB has attracted atten-tion as an AIDS treatment since 1984, but there is still no hard data as to its effective. hard data as to its effective

Dr. Donald Abrams, director of the Community Consortium network of AIDS specialists, several years ago wanted to conduct a DNCB

Contrary to recent news articles, Abrams' interest in the chemical has cooled considerably.

"Many of the people who were devoted to DNCB are now gone, so it can't be any miracle cure," Abrams said.

Abrams' loss of interest may also be due to a falling out he had with Stricker.

Two weeks ago the New England Journal of Medicine



Dr. Donald Abrams

retraction by Abrams and other doctors of an article they and Stricker authored in 1985.

authored in 1985.
The other doctors charged that Stricker incorrectly reported the central data used for the article, which dealt with autoimmunity in AIDS.
Stricker denies fabricating

with autoimmunity in AIDS.
Stricker denies fabricating
any research results.
"The charge itself is a fabrication," he said.
The one study being carried out on DNCB is a small
observational one organized
by Project Inform. Although
PI's staff is working on the
study and is not part of the
dispute between Abrams and
Stricker, it too has little enthusiasm for DNCB.
Tonisa Clardy, Project Inform's research director said,
"Since June 1990, we've been
trying to recruit 30 people for
the study, and we could get
only 13 — plus several more
after the recent article. Our
preliminary data on the 13
participants has shown no
clear-cut evidence on DNCB's
efficacy as a treatment of HIV
infection and AIDS."

Any immune system
changes observed have been

infection and AIDS."

Any immune system changes observed have been very temporary, Clardy said.

One doctor peripherally involved in the Project Inform study is William Epstein of the UCSF dermatology department. Epstein, an authority on contact skin sensitization, has a history of studying DNCB that goes back 40 years.

studying DINCB that goes back 40 years. "I can't say whether DNCB is having any effect in AIDS," he said. "If so, it's not an obvi-ous effect. DNCB functions as ous effect. DINCB functions as an immune modulator, but we don't really know what it does. I do know that you need knowledgeable advice on how to use it. Putting too much on will give you a chemical burn."

Epstein noted that if DNCB works in AIDS, other contact sensitizers might be effective as well. Even poison oak could be useful in a crude way.

Pneumocystis Drug Shows Promise

An experimental antibiotic drug, 566C80, appears to be effective and safe in the treatment of *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonia, the most common AIDS-related opportunistic infection, according to a preliminary study conducted by the National Institutes of Health and Burroughs Wellcome Co. National Institutes of Health and Burroughs Wellcome Co. The research findings appear in the Nov. 28 New England Journal of Medicine. PCP affects more than 80 percent of people with AIDS and is an important cause of death among people with AIDS. "This new drug shows great promise as a therapy for this deadly pneumonia," said Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases at NIH. "We look forward to the completion of ongoing clinical trials that will further define the role of 566C80 in the care of patients with PCP. Although other drugs are effective against PCP, many patients cannot tolerate them." An oral medication, 566C80 belongs to a class of drugs called hydroxynaphthoquinones and is a broad-spectrum antibiotic originally developed as and is a broad-spectrum antibiotic originally developed as an anti-malarial agent.

AIDS Apathy in France Targeted

United Press International

PARIS — A newspaper poll released Dec. 1 on the fourth annual International AIDS Day reported that just one in 10 French men and women have changed their sexual habits as a result of the deadly virus.

the deadly virus.
Seventeen percent of those polled said they would cease all sexual activity if they learned they were HIV positive, while 71 percent said they would tell their partner, according to the survey pub. cording to the survey pub-hed by the daily Le Parisien.

The newspaper devoted the first four pages of its weekend edition to the sur-vey, describing the results as "alarming" and accusing the public of ignoring a serious problem.

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"The most welcome aspect of our survey is that more than a quarter of French people would redouble their affection for a neighbor, friend or workmate who was HIV positive," the paper said.

The numerous AIDS stands and demonstrations across the country Dec. 1 shocked passers-by with statistics. More than 20,000 AIDS cases registered in France, about 200,000 people HIV positive, and rising.

"We in France represent about 40 percent of AIDS cases for all of Europe. The government's prevention cam-

paign is just not working, and it's not surprising. So far they haven't once associated AIDS prevention with condoms in their advertising," Sophie Russel of the AIDS activist group ACT UP. "We'd also like the author-

'We in France represent about 40 percent of AIDS cases for all of Europe.'

ities to change their definition of AIDS when people die. 48 percent of women who die of

percent of women who die of AIDS are registered as having died from something else," she added.

ACT UP joined other organizations at the Georges Pompidou Center in central Paris, rallying for Premier Edith Cresson to declare "a state of emergency" in relation to the virus.

Meanwhile, nurses and doctors mounted information stands in the hallways of all Paris public hospitals.

The government-sponsored French Agency Against AIDS held an all-night candlelight vigil from Saturday evening at Trocadero, across the Riv-

er Seine from the Eifel Tow-

er Seine from the Eifel Tower, aimed at combatting "the ostrich mentality."

The organization also paid for a 10-second advertising spot on French television and produced an AIDS leaflet in braille, to allow blind people access to the information.

Frequence Gaie. a Paris

Frequence Gaie, a Paris FM radio station, devoted all programs Sunday to Interna-tional AIDS Day, including debates, phone-ins with politi-cians and an interview with

cians and an interview with Dr. Johnathan Mann, the former head of the World Health Organization.

The station also aired a special music program, playing songs by Freddie Mercury, the lead singer of the rock group Queen. Mercury died of AIDS last week.

Luc Montagnier, the Pasteur Institute professor who discovered the AIDS virus, warned in a newspaper article that the number of cases of the disease was likely to

cle that the number of cases of the disease was likely to double by the year 2000. "AIDS and its infection through the virus can touch everyone. Any one of us can get it if we don't respect the basic rules of prudence," he said in the newspaper Le Journal du Dimanche.

Christian churches across.

Christian churches across France devoted their Sunday services to AIDS sufferers, responding to a call from the Paris-based Christians and AIDS organization.

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guages
After graduation, his love of music led him to New York to pursue a career in musical theatre. Shortly thereafter, he entered the field of international insurance and rose to the position of senior underwriter with the CIGNA corporation. In 1984, after a two-year assignment in Brussels, he transferred to CIGNAs San Francisco office, where he remained until his retirement in 1988.

Bob was keenly interested in travel, Bob was keenly interested in travel, 20th-century American photography, and music, both classical and popular. His deep commitment to Shanti Project began soon after his arrival in San Fran-cisco. He served first as a practical and otional support volunteer and subquently as a support-group co-facilitator. His longstanding commitment to Shan-ti provided him a source of great strength, as did his belief in God.

strength, as did his belief in God.

Bob leaves his mother and father, his
two brothers, Martin Joseph of Potomae,
Maryland, and Donald James of
Washington and Los Angeles; two
nieces and nephews; and his companion, Paul Bryant Alley, of San Francisco. A memorial mass in honor of
Bob's life will be celebrated at the
Church of the Most Holy Redeemer on
Dec. 7at 230 in the afternoon. A second Dec. 7 at 2:30 in the afternoon. A second mass will be celebrated on Dec. 14 in Bowie, Maryland.

may make memorial contributions to Shanti Project, as he wished.

Stephen Mark Parker

Jan. 12, 1960-Nov. 4, 1991



rounded by his ther, Ed and Ag

ther, Ed and Agnes of North Dakota, his brothers, Tim
and David; and supported to the end by
his closest SF friends, Cathryn Lewis,
Betsy Noel and Jacque Grillo.
Stephen was a dear soul who had the
rare ability to make each person he
knew feel special and loved. Full of joy
and laughter, he was a deep spiritual
seeker who brought a beautiful and
luminous quality to this world. Stephen
was especially proud of his 10 years of
AA sobriety.
In recent years Stephen dreamed of

In recent years Stephen dreamed of who knew him that even without for-mal training, his presence and loving at-tention ministered to all those he touched.

touched.
His family and friends would like to
especially acknowledge his doctors,
Robert Bolan and Michael Berry, and
the wonderful hospice care provided by
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Joseph C. Mayhan March 23, 1950-Nov. 9, 1991

Our friend Joseph passed away from



passed away from ications on Saturday, Nov. 9, 11 a.m., at the Shanti House number 18 on Downey Street in San Francisco. Joseph was born in Daphne, Ala., and moved to Southern California in the

ornia in the nid1960s. His fi-

nal move was to the San Francisco Bay Area in the early 1970s. He is survived by his mother, Sara Parker; two brothers; one sister; and an aunt, Willie Mae Brown; all who still reside in Alabama. Another favorite aunt, Thelma Grayson, resides in the Los Angeles area.

Joseph's employment history included various positions in the medical profession: nursing, medical assistant and staffing coordinator.

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ed various positions in the medical profession: nursing medical assistant and staffing coordinator.

He was an avid 49er and SF Giants fan and was never happier than when attending any of these games with his buddy John-Boy. Their loyal enthusiasm was always evident whether at Candlestick Park or in their favorite "watering hole" in the Castro area. During its heyday, the Community Softball League relied on Joseph's scorekeeping talents especially since his statistics determined the trophy recipients at the annual awards banquet. One could always rely on Joseph's quick wit and sharp tongue, his friends accepted these traits as a defense mechanism and the subject matter was not that important. He was a favorite among the regulars at Uncle Bert's in the Castro, where some thought is being given to having his bar stool enshrined!

Joseph found a tremendous comfort in having his "extended family" woven into his everyday life. Tommy Lee, Uncle Bert, Mitch, Lisa, Fremon, Carol, JoAnn, Lars, Mel, Bobby Pace, Reba, Leona, John-Boy, George and all the gang love you and miss you. Special thanks to the Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco for such wonderful emotional support. His counselors, Sheila, Gene and Kevin became true friends.

A tribute to Joseph's life will be held at Uncle Bert's in the Castro on Sunday, Dee 8 at 4 p.m. Donations in his name can be made to the AIDS Memorial Grove or the Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco.

Alexander Omega Jaramillo June 1, 1954-Nov. 22, 1991

Alex was laid to rest in Stockton, Calif. He had been suffering with com-plications of AIDS and passed painlessly and peacefully.

Alex is survived by his mother and



a large number of relatives. He will also be re-membered for his caring for other AIDS and other AIDS and terminally ill pa-tients through his nursing jobs with Kimberly Quality Care and Coming Home Hospices Group.

Friends and co-workers are urged to attend his memorial service at the Western Addition Senior Citizens Seres Center located at 1390 Turk Street, in Francisco. We will all meet there celebrate his life on Friday, Dec. 6 at

a the evening. information, please call 567-3233.

Rob Barclay

Sept. 18, 1951-Nov. 24, 1991



Open House will be held on Sunday, 2. 8, at his apartment from 2 till 5 p.m. more information call 621-8441.

Boyd D. Snyder Jr. July 18, 1952-Nov. 22, 1991



July 18, 1952–100v. 22, 1991

Boyd heeded the final boarding call, free at last to explore the cosmos and embark on a supergalactic voyage far beyond his imaginative mind's wildest fantsy. Boyd died of multiple complications due to cations due to AIDS, held in the arms of Tom

his partner of 13
years.
A vice president for Bank of America,
Boyd loved quiet nights at home nested down with a science fiction book,
traveled to only the most civilized locations (first class, of course), and always
deliberated the opposing point of view
just for the hell of it.

Boyd and Tom grew up together on
neighboring farms in Pennsylvania and
moved to enhance their lives and professions in San Francisco in 1981. In addition to Tom, he is survived by his
father, Boyd Sr. of Pitman, Pa, and a
devoted family of friends.
A tribute to his life will begin on Dec.
7, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 1111
O'Farrell St., San Francisco, at 1 pm.,
followed by a social gathering at their
Noe Valley home. A list of suggested
AIDS service organizations most beneficial to Berd and Tom during their

AIDS service organizations most bene-ficial to Boyd and Tom during their struggle is available by calling 648-4061.

Lawrence R. Heckard April 9, 1923-Nov. 26, 1991

Larry died at home in Berkeley of AIDS-related causes following a long and exhausting battle, remaining



and exhausting battle, remaining tenacious and stoic to the end. At his side was Paul Silva, his devoted companion since 1951. He is also survived by his siblings, Ken and Aggie Heckard of Long Beach, Wash. (Larry's Mash. (Larry's Anacortes, Wash.; and Lucile Heckard of Anacortes, Wash.; and Lucile Heckard Re of Portland, Ore. Many loving nieces and nephews and a host of friends and colleagues are deeply grieved.

After serving in the military during World War IJ, both Larry and Paul came to Berkeley to pursue doctoral programs in botany. Larry coming south from Oregon State University and Paul heading north from Stanford University. The personal chemistry was right, resulting in a long and extremely rewarding commitment to mutual love and respect. ding commitment to mutual love and

resulting in a long and extremely rewarding commitment to mutual love and respect.

Larry was curator at the Jepson Herbarium of the University of California and instrumental in bringing about the production of a totally new version of California botanist Willis Linn Jepson's well-known Manual of the Flowering Plants of California, originally published in 1925. Larry's vast knowledge of the California flora was based on experience in nearly every area of the state, no matter how remote Larry served many years as secretary of the American Society of Plant Taxonomists, held statewide offices in the California Native Plant Society and was a past president of the California Botanical Society.

Larry's modesty belied his national and international standing as a scientist. He was genuinely interested in other people and listened thoughtfully to what they had to say. He thoroughly enjoyed the social aspects of scientific meetings.

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Larry's final days were made livable by the compassion and material support of many devoted friends, especially Susan D'Alcamo, Alva Day, Tom DeCew, Phyllis Faber, Jim Hickman, Liz Neese, Isabelle Tavares, Linda Vorobik, and Margriet Weatherwax. They join Paul and Larry's family in thanking the Kaiser Hospice team (Kathy Pretorius, Tim Moore, Mia Raaphorst and Linda Omij for their skilled and heartwarming support. Special thanks go to Jil Ng and Charlene Sealy for their remarkably tender and loving care.

Always thoughtful and caring, Larry provided for continued support of the Jepson Herbarium by means of a substantial bequest, thus following the altruistic path laid out by the founder of that institution. He will be keenly missed.

A memorial service will be held in the Alumni House on the Berkeley campus, Saturday, Jan. 18, 2-5 p.m.

Mica Kindman

May 8, 1945-Nov. 22, 1991

Mica Kindman, faerie, activist builder, writer, dancer and visionary



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but strong of spirit to the end.

Mica grow up on Long Island and attended Michigan State University, where he quickly became caught up in the radicalism of the '60s. He helped found and edit an alternative campus newspaper, and later moved to Boston, where he was involved with an experimental community and its paper for several years. These often bruising experiences are documented in his eloquent autobiography, written for the forthcoming anthology written for the forthcoming authology writen for the forthcoming authology writen for the forthcoming autholo written for the forthcoming anthology Voices of the Underground Press. Mica moved to the Palo Alto area in

Mica moved to the Palo Alto area in 1973, where he worked as a builder and immersed himself in the local counter-culture. Affirming his gay identity in the late '70s, he became involved with the Radical Faeries and moved to San Francisco in 1982. He was a leader in the search for a faerie sanctuary, a dream that became a reality when Nomenus Inc. (founded for this purpose) purchased land in Wolf Creek, Ore. in 1986. His contribution of vision and energy to Nomenus was immense. His circle of commitment continued

and energy to Nomenus was immense. His circle of commitment continued to expand. He became an expert in alternative AIDS treatments and added AIDS activism to his long list of causes. He enrolled at New College in 1990, wrote his autobiography, and in April 1991, participated in the dancel ritual event Circle the Earth, reaffirming his longstanding love of dance. Even in his last weeks, he was dreaming of in his last weeks, he was dreaming of new possibilities. He is survived by his lover and by an extraordinary circle of friends. Thanks and praise to all who helped, including the wonderful staff at Mt. Zion Hospital. A memorial gathering is planned for Jan. 5; call 621-8529 for information.

Bruce J. Grant



Montgomery, Ala., Mr. Grant graduated from Auburn University in 1983. He worked as an architect for the

architect for the international firm of Heery Architects, originally based in their home offices in Atlanta, Ga. He moved to the Bay Area six years ago.

Bruce was the project designer for the recently completed St. Louise Hospital in Morgan Hill, Califf, and had worked on a Stockton project for Kaiser Hospital. in Morgan Hill, Callil, and had worked on a Stockton project for Kaiser Hospital before retiring in 1989. He was a superb pool player and a gourmand. His brother Tom died in Montgomery, Ala. of AIDS five years ago. He is survived by his family in Alabama and his lover of three years, Joe Lynn.

Thomas Joseph Gallagher June 4, 1947-Nov. 23, 1991





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in Rochester, N.Y. and is sur

NY. and is surents, Joseph and Margret Gallagher, his
brothers, James, Paul, William, John,
Michael and Kevin Gallagher, his sisters, Kathy Gallagher and Anne Bilious,
all of Rochester, NY. He will be missed by many of his friends and especialby by the Ammer and Polimeni families
of Rochester, NY.
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Tommy was one of a kind by always living the opposite of the "norm." He always kept the spirit of a "hippie" to his last day. He will live forever in our

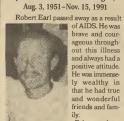
hearts.

We love you Tommy.

A memorial service will be held at
Most Holy Redeemer Church, 100 Diamond, on Friday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Robert Earl (a.k.a. Robert Marburger)

Aug. 3, 1951-Nov. 15, 1991



Robert was born in Yorktown, Texas, and lived in numerous locations in that state. At the age of 15, he moved to Tehran, Iran, and lived there for four years until 1970. Upon returning to the states, he attend. Upon returning to the states, he attend-ed Roger Williams College and Rhode Island College in Providence, R.I., for a total of three years. In 1973, he went to San Francisco for a visit, fell hopelessly in love with the city, and decided to live there for the rest of his

Robert traveled extensively. He enjoyed all kinds of music, and he was enthralled with videotaping, movies, theatre, art and ballet. He lived life to

Robert Earl was a hairdresser and en

Robert Earl was a hairdresser and enjoyed his profession. He was fortunate in that he continued in his profession until only shortly before he died. He brought sunshine into so many lives, and he will live on in the memories of his family and friends. Robert Earl wanted to be cremated and his ashes scattered over his beloved city of San Francisco. His wishes were carried out by his mother, sister and three close friends. He is survived by his mother. Viola.

three close friends.

He is survived by his mother, Viola, of Providence, R.I.; his sister, Nora, of Lake Jackson, Texas; his father, Leon, half-brother Harold; half-sister Helen; all of Texas; as well as close friends, Rita, Virginia, Paul, Bernie, Shellah and many others.

Goodnight, sweet prince, until we meet again.

Goodnight, sweet prince, until we meet again.

I wish to thank Project Open Hand, 2720 17th Street, San Francisco, CA 94110, and Visiting Nurses and Hospice of San Francisco, Fox Plaza, 1390 Market St., Suite 510, San Francisco, CA 94102, for their tender loving care of Robert's needs. Donations in his honor can be directed to them.

Simon J. Crespo Jr. June 4, 1963-Nov. 23, 1991



raised in Mian and moved to San Francisco in 1984. His life

1984. His life was not so remarkable, except for the fact that he succeeded in turning his feelings of alienation and worthlessness into a positive energy for survival and self-improvement. He was a loyal, naive and outgoing person who leved to self-improvement. outgoing person who loved to make friends. His favorite recreation was

dancing.

Simon is survived by a large family, but will be mostly missed by his sister, Lorraine, and his partner, companion and caregiver-advocate of more than seven years, Bill Esoff.

Funeral services will be held in Whitestone, N.Y., where most of his family resides. For information call 771-4948. In lieu of flowers, Simon asked that donations be made to Pets Are Wonderful Support and Most Holy Redeemer — the two organizations that did the most to ease his pain and suffering toward the end.

did the most to ease his pain and suf-fering toward the end.

So long, Simon. Thank you for shar-ing your life with me. I hope you'll be able to continue dancing, wherever you are.

Bedford Elias Aiken III

March 16, 1945-Nov. 22, 1991

Beloved father, lover, brother and friend, Skip Aiken died during coronary surgery. He was 46 years

Bay Area Reporter.

Henry was a very popular young

man, first as a popular busboy then waiter at Jackson's Restaurant. He

became the co-owner and helped to run the popular Fickle Fox Restaurant for many years. The last



old. A Florida native, Skip came to the SF gay community in 1974. He was a ounding mem er of Gay Fa

Society of Janus, and a bass in the Gay Men's Chorus. He articulated the mean-ing of leather and S&M in a way that

ing of leather and S&M in a way that engendered respect among people both within the community and outside of it. Committed to the struggle for gay rights, Skip applied his formidable intellectual energy to exposing and opposing every instance of homophobis he encountered. Even in coronary care, he critiqued the hospital's "family" information pamphelt for its heterosexist bias. It was his fervent conviction that taking personal responsibility is more taking personal responsibility is more empowering and effective than marching in the streets.

sion for clear communication His passion for clear communication led him to master many computer, spoken and sign languages. For the last seven years, he carried the message of sobriety, in English and ASL.

Skip relentlessly insisted on being his own blend of contradictory elements. He integrated his Quaker opposition to war with a love of military uniforms and ritual

and ritual.

The memorial will be at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14, at Ocean Beac (south of Sloat Blvd.). Call 921-3680.

David Gass

Feb. 3, 1950-Dec. 1, 1991

Our dear friend David passed away peacefully after a peacefully after a one-year battle with AIDS. He was the beloved son of Stanley and Gloria Gass of Sunrise, Fla., and the devoted brother of Joy Goodrich and Ar-lene Buynak and lene Buynak and their families. David will be

David will be greatly missed by his close friends Allan Gold, Carol Fiul, Marty Carls, Jeanette Bandas and Marla Bach. He was an avid West Coast swing dancer and a dedicated Shanti volunteer for many years. David was the perfect parent to his wonderful poodle, Morgan, who brought him much joy for the past six years. There will be a memorial service and scattering of David's ashes at 3:30 p.m. at Ft. Point. David preferred donations to the Shanti Project.

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Obituaries are continued on next page

Fred Skau

Popular bartender, activist and AIDS fundraiser Fred Skau finally succumbed to the disease himself on November 19 after nearly a month in the hospital. He died at Kaiser Hospital's French Campus in the arms of his companion Frank Cholewski with several other loved ones at his bedside.

Fred was raised in Minneapolis, MN and came to the Bay Area in 1966. He soon became a popular figure among the Polk Street residents. A tireless fundraiser and do-gooder for persons less fortunate than himself, he was always ready to fight for a good cause or charity. In the fall of 1987 Fred was about to begin the biggest charity fundraiser of his life. It has become a memorial to the man himself.

With a large empty glass jar on the bar at The Gate, where he worked until March of this year, the "Every Penny Counts" campaign began. His goal that year was to try to raise \$10,000 by year's end. With the help of many friends and many jars they exceeded their wildest dreams and raised over \$24,000.

Now in its fourth year, the Pennies Project, as it is officially known, has raised over \$400,000. The campaign, an important part of the AIDS Emergency Fund's ngoing fundraising, has grown, with many volunteers and over 300 jar locations helping the project to stay healthy and continue to grow

Fred was the guest of honor at a testimonial dinner in January of this year at which Mayor Art



Agnos proclaimed January 10 Fred Skau Day.' He honored and recognized by the AIDS Emergency Fund, the S.F Board of Supervisors, the State Senate and other civic groups. He had in years past received many other awards and recognitions for his community endeavors.
He is survived by his longtime

companion Frank Cholewski and his father Bernie, Memoria services will be held on Saturday Dec. 7, at 1p.m. at St. Francis Lutheran Church, 152 Church St. near Market. The Rev. Charles "Chuck" Lewis, the night minister, will officiate. Both the church and the minister were among Fred's longtime charity works.

Memorial gifts may be made to the AIDS Emergency Fund, 1550 California St. #7, San Francisco, CA 94109 or at any "Every Penny Counts" jar. We will all miss you, "Freddie Fudpucker."

lenry M. Soares

morning, Nov. 18, little Henry passed ver quietly in his sleep. We ould not have wished for a nore peaceful crossing. In he early morning hour poke of family, friends and all the love he found around him. He stated it was about ime he left. We reminded im that he wanted to see mother birthday, which would have been Christmas Day. He smiled and eacefully drifted off to sleep, his final deepest sleep. There are so many things this young man did in his venty-odd years in the Bay Area that it is difficult to emember them all. Henry was born in San Luis Obispo on Christmas Day 1946. He was then and remained a special gift to his parents. Through the College of the 12 years were spent in the Russian Sequoias Henry received a scholarship to the San Francisco River area where he enjoyed his work and many friends. He was a Ballet for three years. During that time he also studied at the Academy of Art in San Francisco. He was an active member of the Society for Individual Rights and performed in many of their and others' theatrical productions, including Once Upon A Mattress, A Spoonful of Sugar, Applause, and The Wizard of Oz. A player for the G.S.L. and a member of Tavern Guild of San Francisco, e also did some cartooning for the

bar manager at The Woods Resort and then became co-manager of About Time, a popular restaurant in He led a full, rich life and had no misgivings. During his six-year battle with AIDS he chose to remain his home in Forestville. He did not wish to become a burden to his family. He had supported many of his friends with AIDS and knew

how rough it could become on his family. He also wished to leave this life from his own bed. We are grateful that we were able to keep that promise.

There are so many people to thank for Henry's support and well-being during the last six years. I would crew at the Guerneville Safeway pharmacy, the staff at Community Hospital, Hom Ed. Co. (the nurses and doctors pool), Family Services, Dr. Stacy Moore, Carol Griffith, Ed, T.J., Dr. Fry, Johnny Fusco and Bob, Michael T., Char and John, Roy Rogers and friend, Leon Clarke, Luigi, Grandma, Big "E," Walter Leiss, Z, and last, but certainly not least, Rocky. There are many others out there; forgive my current laps

of memory. Henry is survived by his mother, Fanny, and father, Manuel; his brothers Manuel, Johnny and Danny, and his nany neices and nephews. Henry was truly one of the lucky ones in his battle with AIDS. He wanted and lacked for nothing in this battle. His

family was supportive and was not one of the horror stories one hears about. The minute AIDS hits your family it becomes a difficult learning process. We must not give up hope, our faith, nor our love for each other. Too many AIDS patients are alone and we must try to help them as well. Henry was always concerned about those not as fortunate as he was. That is why he was a true champion

Bye for now, my little Henry -Don Cavallo

Memorial services are to be held Saturday, Dec. 28, 2p.m. at Portuguese Beach on the coast (Highway 1) between Bodega Bay and Jenner. For info call (707) 887-7209. Memorial donations may be made to Face to Face or Food For Thought.

WHO Predicts 18 Million Cases Of AIDS by Turn of Century

United Press International

GENEVA, Switzerland — The number of AIDS cases worldwide will increase 10 times by the turn of the century when as many as 40 million people will have the deadly disease, the World Health Organization said Nov. 28.

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An estimated 1.5 million AIDS cases now have been reported worldwide. That number will grow to between 12 and 18 million in the next eight years, the United Na-tions agency said.

"We are fortunate that the wirms that causes AIDS does

"We are fortunate that the virus that causes AIDS does not spread through air, water or insects and cannot be transmitted by casual social contact," said Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, director-general of WHO. "While scientists pursue their relentless search for curative drugs and vaccines. curative drugs and vaccines, we must not forget that AIDS is essentially a sexually transmitted disease and hence is preventable right now by ef-fective health education."

The projections were issued in advance of World AIDS Day, Dec. 1. WHO de-

clared "Sharing the Chal-lenge" as the theme for the

Nakajima cited successful AIDS prevention campaigns among homosexuals in the in-

The numbers of AIDS cases among women in the United Kingdom almost doubled in the year ending June 1991, the agency said.

dustrialized nations as an example of how "frank informa-tion" can slow the spread of

the disease.

HIV is spreading dramatically in South and Southeast Asia, where at least 1 million

people already have been infected, WHO said. The agency predicts that by the mid-to-late 1990s, more Asians will be infected each year than Africans

Africans.

The potential for rapid epidemic spread also exists in Latin America. Up to 80 percent of the adults hospitalized for medical reasons in some African cities suffer from HIV-related disease, WHO

The rate of infection by the rate of infection by heterosexual intercourse is increasing in most industrialized countries, WHO said, and the number of infections among women is growing as well.

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"Looking at the world as a whole, the toll in human suffering, health-care costs and social disruption already seems unbearable, but there ly in the developing world," Dr. Michael Merson, head of the WHO AIDS program, said. is far worse to come, especial-

GLAAD Media Watch

Cracker Barrel Flap

Compiled by Holly Conley

n Nov. 30 the ABC news show 20/20 covered the Cracker Barrel controversy. Cracker Barrel is a large chain of restaurants and gift shops in the South and Midwest which last year ordered all its restaurants to identify and fire all lesbians and gays. After an initial witch-hunt and subsequent uproar the company re-scinded the directive, but still refuses to rehire the fired workers. Demonstrations have been staged at the restau-rants, and Cracker Barrel has

had demonstrators arrested.

Because we're used to news
programs which give credence programs with give creating to outright lies and slander about lesbians and gays in the name of "balance," and which treat our existence as an issue of controversy instead of a fact of life, it was a revelation to see a news report that wasn't afraid to call bigotry by name, and treat prejudice as a prob-

and treat prejudice as a problem.

The piece was reported by Tom Jarriel. He interviewed one man who was fired because of "effeminate mannerisms," and another who was fired because he didn't deny his homosexuality. Jarriel did an extended interview with Cheryl Sommerville, a long-time Cracker Barrel employee, who was fired because she is a time Cracker Barrel employee, who was fired because she is a lesbian. Sommerville wept as she described being called into the office and asked if she were a lesbian, knowing that to lie would be to deny her life partner, while telling the truth would cost her her livelihood.

truth would cost her her livelihood.

Cracker Barrel of course refused to defend themselves on the air, but chairman Dan Evans sent ABC a letter saying, in part, "We are an equal opportunity employer. We hire and advance our employees on the basis of their ability." The hypocrisy of that statement, reported on the heels of Sommerville's emotional interview, was shocking. Jarriel covered demonstrations organized by Queer Nation, and compared the demonstrations and tactics to those used by the civil rights movement in the 1960s.

After the segment, Jarriel spoke with Barbara Walters about the story. Walters expressed shock that such blatant discrimination isn'tillegal, then went on to say, "I howevert think I might he able to

then went on to say, "I however think I might be able to find another restaurant to go to if I were in that area." When Jarriel assured Walters

that it was her right to boycott the restaurants, she said emphatically, "I will."
Thank 20/20 for a job well done. Thank Barbara Walters for her support. Give Cracker

for her support. Give Cracker Barrel a piece of your mind.
Write to Victor Neufeld, Executive Producer, 20/20, ABC News, 47 W. 66th Street, New York, NY 10023-6290.
Write Barbara Walters at the same address

Write Dan Evans, Chair-an, Cracker Barrel/Old Country Store, Inc., Hartmann Drive, P.O. Box 787, Lebanon, TN 37088. Or call toll free 800-955-0121.

'The Butcher's Wife'

The current Demi Moore film The Butcher's Wife contains a rare instance of a non-lethal lesbian character in a Hollywood film. Academy Award nominee Frances McDermont plays an open les-bian who is the best friend of the male lead. Clairvoyant Demi Moore predicts a woman in the character's future, and the subplot is followed throughout the film in a posi-

Lesbians who don't kill or Lesbians who don't kill or hate men (or themselves) are considered wildly avant-garde: and financially risky in Holly-wood films. Send appreciative communiques to Wallace Nicta and Lauren Lloyd, Paramount Pictures, 5555 Melrose Ave., Dressing Rm. 201, Hollywood, CA 90038.

'San Jose Mercury News'

The Nov. 23 San Jose Mer-The Nov. 23 San Jose Mer-cury News included a column by Kevin Cowherd of the Bal-timore Evening Sun titled "We're talking King of tears, for cryin' out loud." The col-umn was a semi-humorous look at increased tolerance of men who cry. In discussing televangelist Jim Bakker's tears while being taken to prison, Cowherd commented:
"Let me hasten to add that

"Let me hasten to add that if they were dragging me off to spend the next seven to 10 years in a dank prison cell with an oddly affectionate weight lifter named Todd, I would be crying, too — as well as screaming and hanging onto someone's pants leg."
Why do straight people constantly fret about us pushing our sexual orientation on them when in reality it's heterosexuals who are always trying to recruit us?
Try to enlarge Kevin Cowherd's mind by writing to

Cowherd's mind by writing to him c/o The Baltimore Evening Sun, 501 N. Calvert Street, P.O. Box 1377, Baltimore, MD 21278, tel. 410-332-6457.

'Time' Magazine

California lesbians and gays fared so-so in Time maga-zine's recent special issue on

zine's recent special issue on California, meriting only passing mention in a few articles, some of them derogatory.

In a series of brief items under the heading "California Grapevine," one paragraph was devoted to the political fallout to Gov. Wilson's veto of AB 101. Titled "The Guv's Presidential Hopes Hurt Him at Home," the brief described how Wilson's national political ambitions were probably to ambitions were probably to blame for the veto, which damaged his reputation in California. The tiny photograph of a Los Angeles protest accompanying this paragraph represented the entirety of Time's coverage of the massive and ongoing uprising still going on in Southern California in response to the governous response to the governous to the governous to the story. nor's action

Most noteworthy, on the positive side, was the inclusion of Advocate Editor Richard Rouilard in a series of six brief profiles of trend-makers called "Galaxy of Rising Stars"

Send your thoughts to Hen-

Send your thoughts to Hen-ry Muller, Managing Editor, Time Magazine, Time & Life Building, Rockefeller Center, New York, NY 10020. Notify the Gay and Les-bian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francis-co Bay Area Chapter, of all deformations. Our holling defamations. Our holline number is 415-861-4588; fax 415-861-4893. Our mailing address is GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro St., Suite B, San Francis-co, CA 94114.

Deaths

Christine Saxton Nov. 17, 1945-Nov. 30, 1991

Nov. 17, 1945-Nov. 30, 1991
Chris Saxton, 46, associate professor in the Department of Cinema at San Francisco State, died Friday, Nov. 30, in Keogh Hot Springs, Calif. from cancer.

Chris was determined in her fight against the cancer and used both conventional and alternative treatments.



tive treatments. She was, at the time of her death working on a vid-eo documentary about returning exiles and human

edies and human rights abuses in Chile

A dedicated educator, an accomplished scholar and filmmaker, and an impassioned outdoors woman, she spent the last weeks of her life in the mountains she loved. Chris is survived by her parents, Alexander and Trudy Saxton; her sister, Catherine Steele; and aronus of loving friends also known as

Saxton, her sister, Catherine Steele; and a group of loving friends also known as the "Support Group From Hell". Lidia Szajko, Patricia Tollefson, Virginia Palmer, Francesa Pera, Robert Martin, Richard Morasci, Nancy Lewis, Julia Jaurigui, Ron Levaco, Roz Lash, Pat Ferrero, Lisa Kernan, and Eva Herzer. The memorial service will be held at the lodge in Stern Grove on Dec. 14 at noon. Tax-deductible contributions for the completion of Chris' documentary may be made to Hearts and Hands Media Arts and should be designated "Saxton Film Fund". The address is 650 Fifth Street, Suite 202, San Francisco, CA 94107.

William (Monty) Montén Allport 1943-1991

Monty died at home Saturday, Nov 30, after living with AIDS for



three years. Until the end, he was surrounded by those who loved and cared

nd was a senio

sand was a senior systems analyst for Sungard Shareholder Systems. His accomplishments and interests included photography, skindiving and competitive swimming. After being instrumental in reorganizing the

swim team for Gay Games II, he went on to dominate his age group by taking firsts in all six of his individual events. Monty decided to take an early retirement and do some of the things he had always dreamed of, including seeing as much of the world as he could.

Though Monty didn't embrace the church, he gave his permission for a memorial service to be held at The Church of the Advent, 261 Fell St., at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7. All are welcome. Any donations may be sent to the AIDS Food Bank or charity of your choice.

Thurman Glenn Harris March 7, 1957-Nov. 29, 1991



Glenn was born in Evansville, and was raised in El-

was raised in El-was a 1976 graduate of Tecumseh High School. Glenn moved to San Francisco 10 years ago, where he worked as a cook at Garden-Sullivan Hospital, a manager at the PPMC Cafe, attended City College and volunteered at Project Open Hand. Glenn was a generous people-person who loved animals, children and cared for and about the elderly. He had no tolerance for insincerity or dishonesty and was also stubborn, assay, non-judgmental and could be quite blunt. He loved the New York theatre as much as Las Vegas.

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Glenn is survived by his lover, Richard Look; parents, Bonnie and Tom Harris, and brothers, Joe, Kenneth and Danny. Max and Sandy and many friends will miss him deeply.

Special thanks to Allan Gidley and the wonderful, caring staff, manage-ment and volunteers of Garden-Sullivan Hoestial. In lieu of flowers, donations.

ment and volunteers of Garden-Sullivan Hospital. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Glenn's name to Garden-Sullivan Hospital. Following a funeral in Elberfeld, Ind., a memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 14 at 3 p.m. at the First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin St. at Geary, in San Francisco.

Hugh Aringhoff

Nov. 1, 1955-Nov. 22, 1991

Two years to the day after the death of his lover, Hugh died of AIDS-re-lated causes in the warmth of

the warmth of the home which he lowed so much and where he was lovingly cared for by Al Smith, a dear friend among many.

Born in Sommersell, Germany, Hugh moved to Chicago in 1977, where he was employed by the CBS Donahue Show and by United Airlines, thereby fulfilling his dream of working in the travel industry. In 1988 he moved to San Francisco, the city that captured his heart.

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An avid runner, he was an active member of FrontRunners, both in Chicago and in San Francisco. His indomitable spirit kept him constantly active as evidenced by his running four marathons after his illness had been diagnosed. Hugh's "Monthly Update" letters chronicling the good times and the bad were an inspiration to all.

He is survived by his loving parents, four sisters, a brother, nieces and nephews, all of whom live in Germany, and his constant friends — Bob Small and Al Smith of San Francisco, John Coughlin and Earl Maupins of Chicago, and Finn Hensing and Erik Ohlenschlager of Copenhagen. He will be greatly missed by his many friends, but perhaps by none more than Heidi, his fiercely devoted Sheltie.

Hugh's ashes have been scattered in San Francisco, the city he loved. A celebration of Hugh's life will take place Sunday afternoon, Dec. 8. Friends are encouraged to call 863-4982 for details regarding time and location. Donations in lieu of Howers may be made to Shanti

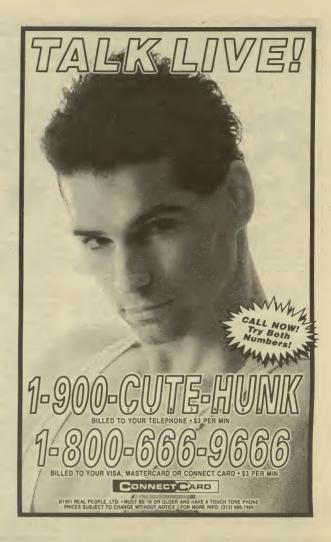
regarding time and location. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to Shanti Project, 525 Howard, SF 94105, or Project Open Hand, 2720 17th St., SF 94110.

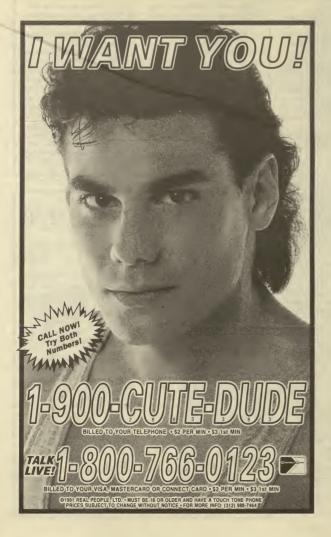
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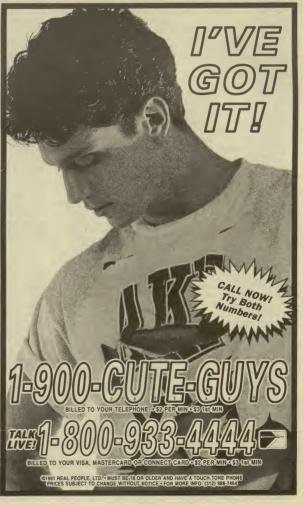
Write name of person on back of photo. If you include an envelope to have the photo returned, please write the per-son's name on the inside of the envelope flap.

Deadline for all obituaries is Monday at 5 p.m.













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we've built in the last 60 years. It's important that people understand that a one-dimensionderstand that a one-dimension-al candidate like Frank Jordan, who for 30 years has been a cop, is not going to have the breadth of decision-making skills that I think are neces-

sary during these complex

times.

BAR: Aside from the earthquake, what do you think was the greatest crisis of your

AGNOS: Racism in the AGNOS: Racism in the Fire Department, crowd-control policies that resulted in Dolores Huerta getting her ribs smashed, homelessness, AIDS, trying to find the resources to keep our AIDS model together as well as to expand it to take care of HIV-positive people keeping the positive people, keeping the budget balanced, trying to find the proper mix so that we don't neglect or help one community at the expense of an-

BAR: While the city's waiting for the revenue from the expansion of business, what

expansion of business, what stopgap measures will you use to sustain the budget? AGNOS: We've frozen wages and cut services where we thought we could handle it, even though it might be painful. I got into a brawl with Angela Alioto because I with Angela Alioto because I didn't agree with her that we could afford to run the Mt. Zion Health Clinic 24 hours a day. I thought 12 hours a day would be enough, with the rest of the slack being picked up by San Francisco General. She couldn't see, because she's not at this desk, that that could hurt us in another area that is not at this desk, that that could hurt us in another area that is more important. We do what you do in your family. You look at all the needs of your family and figure out how you'll keep it all together in a difficult time. You say, we aren't going to go out to the movies three times a month. movies three times a month; we'll go once because we need the money for the rent or the medical plan. It's the same way here, only we have 10 ze-roes after the number. I didn't put as much money into cleaning the streets because I was putting it into AIDS, or home-lessness, or buying a fire

Today, if you have an accident and need an ambulance to take you to the hospital, you'll get one faster than ever before, and you'll get a more modern ambulance than be-fore, because we've improved our ambulance system. You never think of that until you need it, and then you say,
"Where the hell's the ambu-

BAR: What about Hongis-

to's consolidation plan?
AGNOS:I think Dick's an
astute student of politics, and
I'm interested in what he's got astute student of politics, and I'm interested in what he's got to say about it. We did do a major restructuring of the Department of Parking and Traffic, and it's taken two years because of the resistance to it. You hear a lot about how we have more employees than any other city. It's true for two reasons. One, we're a city and a county, which means we do two levels of government in one budget. The cities of Oakland, San Jose, Los Angeles and San Diego are not themselves counties at the same time. As cities, they don't have anything to do with health care, because the county does that. Public transportation, jails and welfare are handled by the county. Just those four departments in our city adds up to close to 12,000 employees out of our 25 000. city adds up to close to 12,000 employees out of our 25,000. The second reason is w

put more employees into our services than the others. Ex-ample: Oakland is 69 square miles; we're 49 square miles. Oakland has a total of 450 fire-fighters; we have a total of al-most 1,500. Which fire depart-

most 1,500. Which fire department do you want?

BAR: How come you only go to leather functions during campaigns?

AGNOS:(Laughs) I've got

this guy from the leather community working on the campaign and he's taking me to all the functions. I should spend more time in those kinds of places. I think if people saw me more there and got a chance to talk to me about what's going on, they would get the message about what we're doing.

Iordan

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sweep down Castro. That im-mediately disturbed me be-cause the only other time we've ever had a sweep in the Castro was when we had the Castro was when we had the White Night Riots, and I think we certainly learned a lesson there. And then, to my consternation, I found out that the operations order that was put out showed that there were two captains in charge, and my explicit orders were that our time use ders were that any time we have the possibility of a demonstration that could go sideways, I want nothing less than a commander or a deputy chief in charge to be sure that we handle it proper-ly. I said that the first phase of this seemed to go right ac-cording to the way I would do it. When people sit down in an intersection to block it. you give them time to get

their message across, then you tell them that this is an unlawful assembly, and then they leave or you slowly arrest them. That's peaceful, that's the process that works. But then as the police left the scene and the 58 were arrested, another group went out and sat in the intersection, and then for whatever reasons, the two captains decided to do a sweep instead of solis, the two capanis uccluded to do a sweep instead of doing the very same thing. I said the very next day that that was poor judgment. It escalated a situation instead of defused it. Because now you had innocent bystanders on the sidewalk and in door-ways who were supportive of ways who were supportive or us up to that point, until all of a sudden they were swept into the process and they felt that their First Amendment rights were taken away from them. And I can understand

them. And I can understand their feelings.

I spoke out at a Police Commission hearing in full view of the public and press that I thought it was poor judgment and should never have happened. As a result, I wound up with a deputy chief who retired rather than he who retired rather than be brought up on charges, anoth-er deputy chief who was rep-rimanded for not letting me know that this operations or-der was out, another captain who was 45 days off without

who was 45 days off without pay.

The irony of the whole thing is that the Office of Citizens Complaints, the civilian oversight body of the Police Department, agreed that the sweep was OK and they saw nothing wrong with it. I said it was not OK, and this bothered me. It also bothers me to think that I've been characterized as having ordered the

to think that I've been characterized as having ordered the sweep, or that I was there, or that I wanted to drive something home as a message and it's not true at all.

BAR:You recently said that as many as 25 percent to 30 percent of your appointments would be lesbians or gay men. Currently 15 percent to 20 percent of all commissioners are lesbian or gay, according to the mayor's office. Do you mean it?

fice. Do you mean it?

JORDAN: What I said is that you represent whatever the percentage of citizens is. These aren't quotas, these are goals that we're trying for. I don't want to say exactly how many we're going to have. The same with women — I want to say a comparable. and same with women — I want to see a comparable mixture there in terms of the amount of women on boards and commissions. Let's look at that as a workable goal. I shouldn't be held accountable for exact numbers. I want for exact numbers. I want the gay, lesbian and bisexual community to feel fully participant in this city.

AIDS Leaders Backing Agnos

by Dave Gilden

A group of prominent local AIDS figures gave Mayor Art Agnos' re-election campaign strong backing in a press con-ference held at the San Francisco Medical Society Nov. 25.

The group included Rep. Nancy Pelosi's health issues aide Steve Morin, San Francisco AIDS adviser Dr. Donald Francis, American Foundation for AIDS Research President Dr. Mervyn Silverman, National Task Force for AIDS Prevention Director Reggie Williams, Project Inform Director Martin Delaney, and Paul Volberding and Constance Wofsy of UCSF and San Francisco General Hospital's AIDS Clinic.

Another 10 AIDS personal-ities endorsed Agnos but did not appear at the press con-

Most of the endorsers had ties to the Agnos administra-tion, either through working on city AIDS committees or through receiving city money or both. These connections reflected the close cooperation between city officials, AIDS care specialists and indepen-dent nonprofit AIDS agencies embodied in the "San Fran-cisco model" for coping with

cisco model" for coping with the epidemic.

Far from trying to hide their relationship with city government, the group cited the way Agnos brought to-gether people from the differ-ent spheres to work on AIDS

ent spheres to work on AIDS as a reason for keeping him in office.

"His leadership is so essential. I'm frightened what would happen under a Jordan administration," Delaney, raphably, the most independent of the property probably the most indepen-dent individual at the news

conference, said.

Members of the group also cited Agnos' record of suc-cessfully lobbying the federal government for more local AIDS care funding. They were hopeful he could ex-pand on that record in the fu-

ture.

"Art Agnos understands the need for programs targeted to the African-American community," Williams said. Williams' group is in the midst of a campaign to restore a major grant lost when Congress transferred allocations from AIDS preventions. Congress transferred alloca-tions from AIDS prevention to AIDS treatment earlier this year. Although that transfer resulted in part from pressure by Agnos to increase appro-priations for the Ryan White AIDS Engresser, CAPE Act AIDS Emergency CARE Act, Williams said that Agnos has

Williams said that Agnos has joined in protesting the cuts. In urging support for Agnos from the gay and health care communities, the group dismissed Frank Jordan as having no experience with AIDS policy. They were fearful he would not prioritize AIDS the way Agnos has. Delaney raised the issue of Jordan's backers, many of whom, he claimed, think the city has been too compassioncity has been too compassionate and done too much for people with AIDS.

people with AIDS.

Delaney and others also questioned Jordan's commitment to legalizing IV needle exchanges. Such programs are needed to prevent AIDS transmission among drug addicts, Delaney said.

San Francisco is the home of the largest needle exchange in the country, and at present the effort neither receives city aid nor is it hindered by the police.

In a major policy speech on AIDS Dec. 3, Jordan came out in favor of expanding nee-dle exchanges as well as predie exchanges as weil as pre-vention programs for gay youth. While offering few fi-nancial or other details, Jor-dan also called for improving out-patient services for people with HIV, including a beefed-up Early Intervention Center.

up Early Intervention Center.
"The community which
created the AIDS model is
now stretched beyond its limits — we now need political
leadership to ensure that our
AIDS model is not allowed to
disintegrate," Jordan said.

Mercury Remembered

United Press International

LONDON — Family and close friends, including Elton John, gathered Nov. 27 for the cremation of Freddie Mercury, the lead singer of the rock group Queen, who died of AIDS during the weekend.

Wreaths lined the entrance of the West London Cremato-rium where a 25-minute pri-vate service was conducted by two Parsee priests.

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A single red rose was placed on top of the coffin, which was carried into the chapel as Aretha Franklin's rendition of "Precious Lord Take My Hand" was played, followed by James Taylor's "You've Got a Friend," said Queen spokeswoman Roxy Meade.

The ceremony ended with Mercury's favorite aria, "D'amour sull 'ali Rose," composed by Verdi and sung by Montserrat Cabelle, who joined Mercury in a duet on 1980 solo album Barcelona.

nis 1980 solo album Barcelona.
Fellow Queen members Brian May, Roger Taylor and John Deacon attended the funeral along with pop stars Elton John and Anita Dobson. Queen had described the flamboyant Mercury as the "most beloved member of our family."
Flowers sent to Mercury by fans were carried in five hearses to the service, which was attended only by family and close friends, Meade said. The flowers were later distributed to AIDS wards in London.

Mercury, 45, died of AIDS Nov. 24, a day after admitting publicly that he had the dis-

ease.

Queen announced Nov. 27
it would re-release its bestselling hit, "Bohemian Rhapsody," next month and donate
the profits to charity.

Claver

which he was avid about do ing. But none of us could identify that he was in a diffi-cult presuicidal state after receiving a letter from relatives asking him not to come

back."
Les Corwin, who describes himself as Rosheim's "best friend and lover," agreed Steven talked of returning to his hometown, but said, "That was his plan in March. Then he got the letters from his father, sister, brother and a friend although it didn't seem to affect him. I was surprised at his resilience."
Rosheim's two older broth-

Rosheim's two older brothers have confirmed that leters nave confirmed that let-ters were sent last spring ad-vising him to stay in San Francisco. They claim this was because of the better so-cial services here. "Steven moved in to Peter Claver in 1989 and seemed

very happy there," brother Lon Rosheim said. "The staff went out of its way to retain him and work with him."

Dickinson and to a certain extent Lon Rosheim stressed that Stear's suicide ween.

that Steven's suicide was a choice he made. If not the Pe-ter Claver staff, Rosheim could have reached out to friends for support, Dickinson argued.

One support he did have was Corwin, who looked for apartments with him and of-fered to aid him financially.

"Steven was mad about hav-ing to move without help and without time to get reorga-nized, but Peter Claver de-pressed him and he had no problems with leaving," Cor-win said win said.

One doctor who spoke with Rosheim summarized Steven's dilemma from a therapist's point of view: "Steven denied his illness. He "Steven denied his illness. He kept refusing treatment and burning his bridges at Peter Claver. He said it was so depressing to live there, but he couldn't live alone — he needed support systems, and how do you find support without restrictions?"

Conversations with acquaintances reveal Steven Rosheim was a sensitive soul,, an artist and a poet, who in the best of times would have needed help coping with day-

needed help coping with day-to-day living.

In this modern world, there wasn't anyone capable of taking this solitary gay man in hand to shore up his weaknesses while appreciating his strengths. Then the AIDS enjdemic increased his ing his strengths. Then the AIDS epidemic increased his isolation by rendering his whole social circle transient.

Rosheim turned to alcohol as "my medicine." This trap exacerbated his rejection by a society that could see only individual choice and not social responsibility.

Macy's

ened," McFeeley said.
The incident has become a The incident has become a public relations disaster for the merchandiser and the threat of a boycott in a troubled economy by gay and lesbian shoppers around the country, many with high disposable incomes, has corporate spokespeople worried.

In 1990, HCRF, a national gay rights lobbying group, led a successful boycott of Western Union for anti-gay em-

a successin by object of west-ern Union for anti-gay em-ployment discrimination prac-tices that cost the firm more than \$300,000 and the cancel-lation of major telecommuni-cations services contracts.

cations services contracts.

Elizabeth Crowe, public relations director for Macy's in San Francisco, told the Bay Area Reporter that to her knowledge no HIV-positive individuals locally had applied or been rejected for employment as part of the local Maria Seate Clausesce

employment as part of the lo-cal Macy's Santa Claus team. If they had, by any mer-chant, said attorney Cynthia Goldstein, they'd find a wel-come mat on her doorstep. Goldstein, a discrimina-tion specialist with the city's Human Rights Commission, told the Bay Area Reporter that such discrimination is illegal under local and state illegal under local and state

statutes

"If any retailer in San Francisco were to do that, their Santa would be very welcome at my doorstep at the Human Rights Commis-

the Human Rights Commis-sion," Goldstein said. Goldstein said that Macy's California had a "fairly decent reputation" compared to many other local department

stores.

"I personally would not call for a boycott of Macy's California based on any discrimination issues in San Francisco," Goldstein said.

According to Crowe, Macy's California had recent-ly raised \$125,000 for San

ly raised \$125,000 for San Francisco General Hospital's AIDS wards and was one of the first retail stores to hold an annual fundraiser specifically for AIDS service groups and charities and had done so since 1987.

Crowe said that Macy's New York had tried to offer Woodley "an executive position in the store" at a higher salary and that she thought the issue was "more personal

the issue was "more personal than anything."
Not true, Woodley said.
"This is no longer a narrow little case about whether one man gets to be Santa Claus. The policies and conduct adopted by Macy's will affect tens of thousands of search be said.

people, he said.

The case will be tried next

But Woodley, who loves children, had been invited to be Santa Claus this year at a pediatric hospital unit for children with AIDS, Winter said.

Mugging (Continued from page 4)

ple hang out there, they loiter and harass customers," he

Anderson said that he complained to the store before and that it is just the latest incident involving the loi-

"I called Muni and they

"I called Muni and they came and fenced in the area where people were living behind the Safeway. That was a public nuisance."

Anderson said that the denizens who hang out in the parking lot are responsible for other muggings and robberies in the area and that Safeway has to do something about the situation.

A spokesman for Safeway of Northern California was unavailable for comment at press time.

press time.

Anderson has filed a com-Anderson has filed a complaint with Community United Against Violence and plans to sue Safeway if they do not settle his claim.

HIV

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tional treatment.
All of the above has to be All of the above has to be qualified as highly probablistic, based on the odds and subject to wild individual variation. Some people with HIV get OIs at well above the 500 mark. And an HIVer's Teell count can vary by the hundreds from week to week, or ward day to do the further by dreds from week to week, or even day to day, further outfoxing attempted predictions. I've always thought that I could feel safer if only I had a few hundred more Tcells. But my friends with a few hundred more Tcells seem to feel every bit as vulnerable as I do.

If one were to bost a party.

every bit as vulnerable as I do.

If one were to host a party
for HIVers, it would be convenient to hand out name tags
that list T-cell counts (e.g., "Hi,
my name is MICHAEL; I have
107 T-cells"). Although rarely
acknowledged, there is a hierarchy among HIVers inversely
related to T-cell count; the
fewer you have, the more you
are deferred to.

This is because you are presumed closer to death. Those
with more T-cell figure, "Oh,
let the Dead Meat Special
have the last pork chop; who

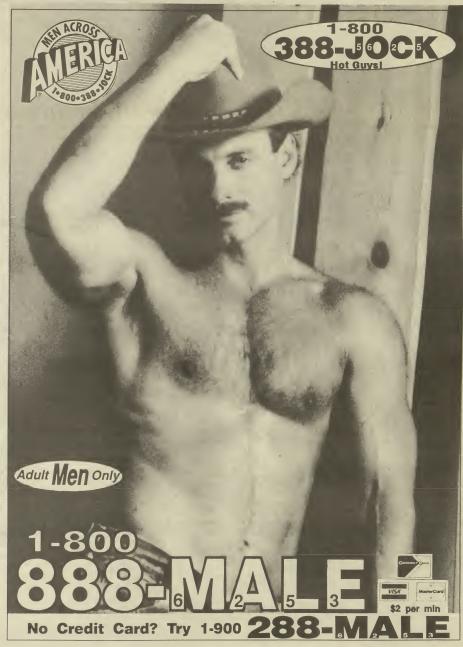
let the Dead Meat Special have the last pork chop; who knows how many more he'll get?" At the same time, your presence and continued existence reassures the others, like a canary in a coal mine who will faint if the air becomes too thin. "If he can still grab pork chops that fast with only three Tcells, I must not have too much to worry about," they tell themselves.

tell themselves.
All rationalizations, course, with no more truth in them than the average politi-cian. But how else can we argue with that slowly trickling sand.

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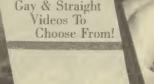






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Utopia Recalled

'Young Soul Rebels' Recreates the Era of '70s Black Youth Culture

by Karl Bruce Knapper

uring the opening scenes of Isaac Julien's new film, Young Soul Rebels, as Parliament's P-Funk Wants to Get Funked Up" echoed through my head, I was temporarily transported back to 1977 — remembering the house/garage parties and clubs that I went to back then - and my feelings of nostalgia and deja vu continued throughout the film as the movie's soundtrack mirrored the soundtrack of my youth and coming out. For those old enough to remember 1977, Julien's latest work will definitely evoke memories of a youthful and maybe rebellious

A move toward more mainstream filmmaking by the director of Looking for Langston, Young Soul Rebels is Julien's first feature film. It is an exciting and culturally accurate portrait of growing up black in England in the 1970s that combines multicultural and polymorphous sexuality, the vigorous funk/soul and punk youth subculture in England. move toward more

and punk youth subculture in England.
"Black style has now become mainstream youth culture," Julien notes. "The way all kids dress now is the way young black people dressed for years. And the fads and fashions associated with this style have spearheaded a deeper transformation of cultural values in the direction of hybridization and multiculturalism."

Celebrating Diversity

This film is also a celebra-tion of diversity — different races, lifestyles and sexual orientations. It cannot simply be called a black film or a gay film or a black gay film, be-cause it transcends the limita-tions of such labels. And un-like other recent films about like other recent films about interracial relationships which have had a tendency to

be pessimistic or negative in their views, Young Soul Rebels is more generous and idealistic in its vision.

Rebels is more generous and idealistic in its vision.

Julien offers us a glimpse of London in 1977 that is a beleaguered but beguiling utopia — polychromatic, polymorphous and pre-Thatcher. Julien says that the true legacy of that era is that "in 1977, on the dance floor when I was 17 or 18, I could see all different kinds of exciting things happening. There were transactions between black and white, gay and straight, the punk ethic, the soul boy and soul girl ethic of doing it yourself and not believing everything that everyone tells you to do and be. These are the things that I want the audience to remember again in Young Soul Rebels.

Isaac Julien was born in

Isaac Julien was born in East London in 1960. He studied painting and film at the St. Martin's School of Art, where he decided to concentrate on film, because film, with all its visual possibilities, was the best ways to see him. was the best way to get his ideas across.

His first film, Who Killed

Colin Roach?, was made in 1983. It was followed by Territories (1984), The Passion



The smiling countenance of Young Soul Rebels director Isaac Julien and two of his rebels and a queen (right).

of Remembrance (co-directed with Maureen Blackwood, 1986), This Is Not an AIDS Advertisement (1987) and Looking for Langston (1989). He served as assistant director on Drearning Rivers (1987) and directed Peter Gabriel's music video for "Shaking the Tree" (1989). Julien is also one of the four co-founders of Sankofa Film and Video, a collective

of young black filmmakers who have been producing ground-breaking, radical works in film and television since 1983. His new film is a deliberate change of pace from his earlier work, which is more experimental and non-narrative in style.

In search of a bigger budget and wider audience, Julien and his Sankofa partner Nadine Marsh-Edwards

approached the British Film Institute in 1985, and encour-aged by the newly appointed head of production, Colin Mc-Cabe, they began developing a story based on their own experiences growing up in the



Nancy Fried, Altar for Discarded Breasts, 1991; terra cotta,

Radically Diverse

Gay and Lesbian Investigations Are Reinvigorating the Art World

by David Hirsh

he range of art representing lesbian and gay experience re-mains radically di-Ongoing and quickly shifting dialogues about inno-cence and the body, death and commemoration, con-frontation and sexuality, so-cial constructs and gender, camp and celebration manifest themselves in an array of

individual poses and chal-

individual poses and challenges.

Many galleries have closed in New York and elsewhere, others are worried, and the art market is sobering up (relatively speaking). At the same time, artists working with lesbian themes have emerged with determination in group shows and some new spaces. shows and some new spaces A few lesbians who frequently work with directly sexual themes have become

established in better-known spaces, along with gay men. Some straight male artists are even striding into the dia-logue.

logue.

The new directions these artists are taking are reinvigorating Minimalism, Surrealism, Conceptualism, Pop and Urban Realism. Probably because of the confluence of politics, AIDS, feminist investigations and multiculturalism, (Continued on page 38)



Out There

Gay & Funny Tidbits From Around the World

by Daniel Mangin and Kevin Davis

PORN STAR FOUND INNOCENT: Michael Kelly, a.k.a. porn star Ted Cox (Stiff Competition, et al.), was released after more than a year in prison after being found innocent of manslaughter in the death of his former manager. Also on the loose after being in a different prison for nearly a year is the just-back-from-Britain Mark Finch, the new artistic director for the SF Gay Film Fest (filling in for Michael Lumpkin, who's on leave). Mr. Finch, loyal B.A.R. readers may recall, wrote the tasteless piece, "Presumed Innocent," following Kelly/Cox's arrest. No truth to the rumor that Cox is heading west, looking for revenge on Finch. More on Cox's acquittal in the News section.

LESBIAN CRIME PAYS: Well, writing a lesbian detective novel, anyway. Barbara Wilson's Gaudi Afternoon received the 1991 British Crime Writer's Association award for "best crime novel set mainly in continental Europe." Strange category, but Noreen Barnes tells us it really is a good read.



Bum rap: Ted Cox.

BARBARA WALTERS TAKES A STAND: Heavy editorializing (in our favor) in the 20/20 report on Cracker Barrel restaurant's policy of firing gay employees. The segment closed with Walters sniffing, "I, however, think I might be able to find another restaurant to go to in that area."

THEIR OWN PRIVATE SANTA MONICA? Post-production has just completed on White Trash, Fred Baker's film on four teenage hustlers on Santa Monica Blvd. "The father and sister of a runaway arrive to bury him and come face-to-face with the netherworld of drugs and sex that killed

FLIPS FOR LANDON'S SON: The highlight of the bountiful Dec. 3 Globe was the "Sicko Gay Flips for Landon's Model Son" story. "Kinky gay model Christopher James Taylor was obsessed with Michael Landon's 16-year-old son Christopher. When he saw Chris' photos, he fell in love with him and built up this great love affair in his mind, but eventually his lust urned to hatred and launched his campaign to hurt Christopher, making his life miserable."

GENERAL WITH
AIDS: Also in the Globe,
"General Maxwell Thurman,
who masterminded the invasion of Panama, is secretly
battling AIDS, top military
sources reveal. He was a
diehard bachelor — a workaholic and strict disciplinarian. He never dated."

SOME LIKE IT HOT II? Also in the Globe, "Tony Curtis was spotted romping on the beaches of Taormina, Sicily, with Eva Robbins, a ravishing hermaphrodite TV host. 'I never had the heart to tell him that below the waist I'm quite manly,' Eva says."

NO CURLERS FOR RICHARD SIMMONS: We'll have to pay rights if we quote much more from the Globe, but can't resist passing along the news that "when a gal showed up late for an exercise class at Richard Simmons' Beverly Hills aerobics studio, he called her a slob because she showed up in curlers. He ordered her into the bathroom to take 'em out."

'MAGIC IS GAY' RU-MORS BEGIN: Didn't take too long for the



Photographer Tom Bianchi lounges poolside, recording frolicking male beauties for posterity.

tabloids to muck around in Magic Johnson's private life. A Dec. 3 National Enquirer had Magic fleeing "to Hawaii to escape gay furor. Since his disclosure, publications across the country have been flooded with calls from people who claim he's had sex with men."

Martina Navratilova

MARTINA SPEAKS
OUT: They say when one is part of a minority subculture, one has to be 10 times better than the average person in order to achieve fame, fortune or even a modicum of respect. Martina Navratilova, aside from being a class act, is so overwhelmingly and obviously the greatest women's tennis player ever that she's been able not only to weather the storm of the revelations about her lesbian relationships, but is turning into an effective spokesperson for our community (and a great role model for lesbian/gay youth). The tennis star was eloquent to the max on a recent Phil Donahue, talking about response to her statement about how a double standard worked in the reaction to Magic Johnson's HIV announcement.

PEE-WEE IN RE-LIGIOUS MURAL: According to the Dec. 3 Star, an artist plans to feature Pee-Wee Herman as the central figure in a religious mural he's painting for The Little Chapel of Miracles in San Francisco.

'PARTING GLANCES'
PRODUCER DIES: The
multitalented Paul Kaplan,
who executive produced the
landmark film Parting
Glances, died of AIDS last
week. Kaplan was involved
in a number of gay arts and
social work organizations.

NEW BOB PARIS
PHOTO BOOK: What was
wrong with Duo, the lifeless Herb Ritts photo book
on Bob Paris and Rod Jackson? Tons, and maybe Mr.
Paris agrees, for our rumor
of the week has Tom
Bianchi (about whose Out of
the Studio male nudes book
John Karr raved on our cover a few weeks back) trying
to do the duo (or is it just
Paris?) justice in a new
tome. Our source tells us
Bianchi's photos will even
show frontal nudity (gasp!
gasp!) and that one of the
reasons the Ritts book
didn't is that once one poses
showing cock one loses
one's professional bodybuilder status. We can't find
anyone to confirm this is the
case, though Paris' sport
does try awfully hard to dissociate itself from even the
hint of homosexuality.

FASCINATIN'
RHYTHMS: Ever on the lookout for items about bodily functions, we found the following meditation on menstruation in On Our Rag No. 4: "When you bleed this much, it becomes fascinating. It's all that blood pouring out of you, leaving you lightheaded, blood everywhere, clothes, hands, toilet bowl full of blood. I can't imagine where that rumor started — women fainting at the sight of blood. No way. I mean, what would a guy do if he woke up one morning and found blood gushing out from between his legs. You know he'd freak. Women just get up and put in a plug. We are so cool." For more of the above, check out the reading/party with On Our Rag contributors at A Different Light Bookstore on Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

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MADONNA'S MAD AT PENNY: The Nov. 22 WWD reports that Madon-

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by Rachel Pepper

Everything But the Girl Worldwide Atlantic

EBTG has always captured the sweetness of small, everyday moments with simplicity and truth, combining lovely acoustic melodies with wide-eyed yet slightly cynical lyrics about love and life. The group, which has produced six albums since their debut in 1984, is still best known in their native England. There, their native England. There, in pre-EBTG days, both vo-calist Tracey Thorn and vocalist-instrumentalist-producer Ben Watt had near cult status

on solo projects.

Despite the hoopla drummed up by their American record label, their supposed "breakthrough" album, the 1990 The Language of Life, was a disappointment Life, was a disappointment to many longtime fans. Overly produced and pop-oriented, The Language of Life lacked most of the basic charms that have enthralled so many of us since Thorn's Marine Girl

days.

Luckily, Worldwide,
EBTG's new effort on Atlantic records, finds the duo
back on the musical track.
While Worldwide may not
be another Eden (could there
ever be?), it is much more in
the style of their earlier releases, and highlights what
both Thorn and Watt do best.
From the twinkling open-

ing bars of "Old Friend" to
"You Lift Me Up," a sweet
and simple ode to a loving relationship, to the vintage
EBTG-style songs, "British
Summertime" and "Frozen
River," Worldwide will likely
satisfy the faithful even as it
crosses over to a broader crosses over to a broader

Alison Moyet

Alison Moyet's solo debut, Alf, remains one of the most deeply affecting albums of all time. Released in 1985 after her years as half of the British pop duo Yaz, Alf was so dauntingly perfect a first album that it was almost impossible to follow up.

Moyet's 1987 Raindancing was a good attempt, but it just didn't match the emotional intensity and beauty of her

was a good attempt, not it just didn't match the emotional intensity and beauty of her debut. Moyet fans will be more than happy to hear that Hoodoo, her brand new offering, comes very close. After a few years of relative silence, Hoodoo could be considered a comeback of sorts for this talented artist, as well as boding a likely return to the pop charts. Moyet's captivating, lush and husky voice is in top form on songs like "It Won't Be Long" and "My Right A-R-M," with a talented but never overbearing band backing her.

band backing her.

Moyet's abilities as a singer-songwriter have never been as well showcased as

they are on the hauntingly sensual cuts "Wishing You Were Here" and "Back Where I Belong." This is definitely one to put on your holiday wish list and to treat your friends — especially your best girlfriends — to as well!

Betty Hello Betty

When I first heard the dynamite a cappella trio Betty at the Sisterfire women's music festival in 1987, I was immediately caught up in their performance. They seemed so brazen to me then — new dyke that I was — and their energy quite different from that of most of the other, more serious, folk-oriented singers present. After the fessingers present. singers present. After the fes-tival, I interviewed Betty twin sisters Amy and Bitzi Biff and Alyson Palmer — but heard little more about them

until two years later.

Then they popped up at the Michigan Womyn's Music The Michigan womyn's Music Festival, where their perfor-mance, one of the fest's best, caused great scandal. In front of an audience of 8,000 largely unsuspecting women, Betty refused to bow to the politirefused to bow to the politically correct women's music party line and dared to sing with all their usual gusto lyrics like "Hey Dick, can we get a dog! Romeo rover! Boned every bitch on the block."

Some dykes complained, without must be the survey to the survey will be the survey.

others walked out, but many others stayed to laugh hysterically at the group's sexual en actments and innuendos. A few women, falling prey to the charms of the group, even danced naked as Betty bolted out strangely appropriate tunes like "Wolfwoman" for a crowd already under the spell of warm breezes, clear skies flickering with northern lights and a gorgeous full moon.
Needless to say, the line to
buy "Betty Rules" T-shirts
that night was incredibly



long.
Although in the years between when I first saw Betty perform and the recent release of their debut album Hello Betty, the women have toured extensively, performed at many pro-queer and proat many pro-queer and pro-choice rallies, made TV ap-pearances and gotten good reviews from the gay and femi-nist press, they've been slow to record. This may have been because they were been because they were awaiting the perfect major la-bel deal or because they real-ized they might have more artistic control doing it on their own, but in any case, Betty fans will be relieved to know that the wait was worth

Chock full of 21 songs — some albeit under a minute long — Hello Betty is one great debut.

On vinyl as well as live, it's impossible to pin down the group's musical style, which has been described as ranging from "post-punk pop" to

"rockappella." Some tunes on the album, like "Bar Talk Duets," are a cappella; others, such as "Broken," feature vo-cals laid over electronic drums and a sampler, bass and, occasionally, Bitzi on cel-lo.

Happily for old fans, some perpetual crowd pleasers like

Happily for old fans, some perpetual crowd pleasers like "Go Ahead and Split, Mr. Amoeba Man" and "Bettycoat Junction" are given their due here, but others, like the more openly queer "I'm a Girl Watcher," have been left off. Still, whatever political messers one may not may be a some party of the services of the ser still, whatever pointeal messages one may or may not pick up from the music of Betty, one thing is incredibly clear: the bottom line for them is nothing else than to have fun.

have fun.

The group will perform at the Eureka Theatre Dec. 11-22. Believe me, it's worth the price of admission alone just to watch the amazonlike bassist Alyson Palmer strut her stuff. For information and tickets call 558-9898.



Cult cuties Ben Watt and Tracey Thorn of Everything But the Girl gain crossover status with their *Worldwide* album.

Comedian's 10th Anniversary

Kate Clinton celebrates Kate Clinton celebrates her 10th anniversary as a comedian, with a show at Zellerbach Hall on the campus of UC Berkeley, Saturday, Dec. 7, 8 p.m. The event also marks the release of her fourth album, Babes in Joyland

land.

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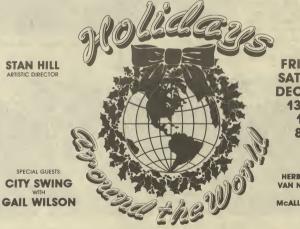
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Utopia

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1970s and witnessing the "wonderfully hybrid space that existed then." A key elethat existed their. A key ele-ment in bringing together the diverse threads of the script was the inclusion of a murder mystery subplot. The film dramatizes a whole series of debates through reactions to

debates through reactions to the murder.

"I just wanted to make a film," Julien said, "which would be very different, that would speak to my experiences in a more specific way. And to try to grapple with some of these questions of ambivalence, sexual identity, racial and sexual differences, and make them slightly popularized, if you like, without being a populist.

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"What I tried to do is try to hide or submerge very complex ideas about race and identity, and sexual difference and racial difference, in a form or genre that would be more widely understood. So I see my role as being sort of interested in theoretical ideas, but translating those ideas but translating those ideas into the visual terrain." Much of black filmmaking

has tended to be oppositional in nature, emphasizing con-flicts between the black mi-

often more mixed, visually stylish and accessible than before

Important Intervention

Black British filmmakers like Julien tend to define themselves less in terms of America and more in terms of the diverse strands — African, Caribbean, British of their experience. They also see themselves as being more closely connected to Europe and European traditions of

Julien says that he sees Julien says that he sees film "as an intervention that is very important in terms of trying to develop some consciousness around race, and questions of race and representation. The danger we've got at the moment, though, is that there is a certain encouragement of the idea that there is a black identity which is an agement of the idea that there is a black identity which is an essential identity, which is usually heterosexual, black and male. Of course, black gay men are like a non-entity in this scenario, as are black

"In a way, it's black academia and the black middle class that are especially interested in canonizing certain icons, and making them palatable for white Americans. I think that these very narrow ideas of blackness, and black masculinity in particular, are



Mo Sesay, left, with DJ part-ner Valentine Nonyela.

very problematic and, in a way, a very bankrupt way of looking at black culture.

"I think that much of the work (of Afrocentric scholarship) is flawed because any work which is homophobic will be flawed. Just as any work that is sexist would be flawed. It will always be flawed. I think discussions around Afrocentricity are, in around Afrocentricity are, in a way, kind of important dis-cussions, but ones of which I am skeptical precisely be-cause of their homophobia."

But Julien does not claim speak for or represent all

to speak for or represent all black or gay people.

"I speak from black or gay experiences rather than for them. I'm not speaking for anybody—I'm not making my films for people. I'm not making films for or on behalf of black audiences or gay audiences or those communities. Indeed, what I have to say could well be politically unpopular and go against traditionally acceptable political views, because I may disagree with what certain sections of the black community think or the gay community think or the gay community

As for the black communi and what they think of

"Forget the macho black male stereotype. Soul boy fashion was quite effeminate.''

Julien's work, he says, "Well, who the fuck is the black community, please? Are you talking about black women? Are you talking about black straight men? Are you talking about black gay men? Are you talking about black lessioans? I don't think there is one black community."

Exploring Stereotypes

It is indicative of Julien's work that he emphasizes the ambivalence and interaction between different identities and attempts to blur the distinction between these identities. In Young Soul Rebels, which explores the friendship between Chris and Caz, two soul disc jockeys who have been friends since childhood, Chris, the lighter-skinned, less masculine character, is the one who is straight while Caz, the darker, more masculine character, is gay, effectively exploding stereotypical and and attempts to blur the disexploding stereotypical and preconceived notions about both blackness and gayness.

Julien, who is actively en-gaged in black and gay poli-tics, wants more plural and ambivalent representations of black masculinities: "Forget the macho black male stereotype. Soul boy fashion was quite effeminate. It's important to portray that construction of black masculinity which is something that's very vulnerable and fragile." He is also not that con-cerned that some will criticize

his use of the stereotype of the murderous repressed ho-mosexual, particularly as the iniosexual, particularly as the killer's repressed sexuality is conflated in his film with (a Franz) Fanonian depiction of white desire for and envy of blackness and black masculin-

blackness and black masculinity.
"I don't give a fuck about all that. I really don't. Actually, I do give a fuck, but I'm not going to be policed by moralistic critiques of positive/negative dichotomies. My film balances any negative portrayals of homosexuality with nositive ones, and I with positive ones, and I think that in terms of black and gay representation, we have moved forward on those things, and I'm not interested

things, and I'm not interested in going back.

"The film also has a sense of that whole anxiety about blacks, and the policing of blacks and our sexuality, that has to do with the fear of the 'other' within yourself. Why else would white men historically want to castrate black men. or lynch us. if it wasn't it wasn't men, or lynch us, if it wasn't to do with a kind of fantasy of black men being more sex-ually potent than they are. The fact that the killer is

white is not just a problem for gay culture. It's a problem for the society as a whole, and for white male anxiety. "The killer is there as a kind of representation, and though he is kind of stereotypical, I'm admitting to that

typical, I'm admitting to that because most mainstream genre movies are stereotypical. I wanted to talk about white desire and attraction and repulsion and that kind of phenomenon. I wanted to draw on the experience and talk about what I see as a very central anxiety that white subjects have about black sexsubjects have about black sex-

Less Judgmental

Less Judgmental
Through Young Soul
Rebels, Julien also examines
interracial relationships in a
less judgmental light than is
usual for most black cinema
(that is when interracial relationships are examined at all).
He does not feel that being in
an interracial relationship
means that one is suffering
from internalized racism.



nority and the intransigent white mainstream, but the current generation of black filmmakers has seen that very mainstream transformed by black popular culture's incursion into, and subsequent appropriation by, the mainstream (e.g., rap, hip-hop, house and reggae music; fashion; hairstyles; and street slang, to name just a few instances of appropriation). nority and the intransigent stanges of appropriation). Now, black (and gay) culture is on the cutting edge of contemporary style, whether it's the latest advertisement for McDonald's or a film like Paris Is Burning. The result has been an approach that is



Mo Sesay, left in top photo, and Jason Durr play an interracial gay couple in *Young Soul Rebels*.

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Old Beasts and New Beauties

was fully prepared to dislike Disney's new Beauty and the Beast. I'll admit that the very idea of a pretty animated version — a happy film for kids whose musical comedy training occurred on Sesame Street — flew in the face of all my beliefs:

That the mythic tale refers back to sexual encounters with gods-as-animals (Zeus as a bull or Leda's swan, Psy-che's snakeskinned Amor) or of human sacrifices in the Minotaur's labyrinth; That the 1756 Madame de

Beaumont version was a veiled parable on common-place sexual attraction for female children in which a fa-ther's misplaced affection de-livers his girl unto the Beast. And that Jean Cocteau's 1946 surreal cinematic vision

was the definitive film version, and very definitely gay. Even for the '40s, it exuded a romanticism so intense as to

be overt.
Cocteau's black-and-white Cocteau's black-and-white masterpiece is a tale of difficult love told by an artist whose sexual proclivities were no secret. Wilde had his Bosie, Gertrude her Alice, and Cocteau, we may hope, had Jean Marais: the star of several of his movies. As the Beast he is the epicater of all Beast he is the epicenter of all attention and the subject of my desire.

A Daughter's Sacrifice

In Cocteau's film a lost merchant finds a strange cas-tle. Bodiless arms are sconces holding torches to light his way along a fearful hallway. They also serve his tea at an enchanted table. When his only "sensitive" daughter (the rest are real bitches) sacrifices herself and takes his place in the castle, the eyes of homo-erotic statues follow her every

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movement.

Finally, her host welcomes
her, but his intentions are difficult to trust; his huge and
hairy body is clothed in velvet and jewels. Later, when
she surprises him late at night
as he has been out hunting
(and haven't we all?), his
hands are covered with blood
— and they burn! He is
ashamed of his ravaging and
furious with her for having
seen the proof. He knows
that if he touches her he will
kill her, but that her willing
touch can transform.

Yet Cocteau's subtext goes

Yet Cocteau's subtext goes far beyond the obvious "beauty's only skin-deep" morality favored in 19th century partomimes and melodramas based on the tale. In this film love does eventually vanquish disgust, but not until the last scene — a rapturous commingling of the finally erotic Beauty and a now beautiful Prince Beast (two sides of our selves) — as they rise as one to





Josette Day and Jean Marais in Cocteau's *Beauty and the Beast*, and the animated Belle and Monsieur Beast in the new Disney version.

In the original story, the heinous crime for which a man gets turned into a beast ("I cannot tell you what I did to be given this, hideous shape!") is the seduction of orphans. In the Cocteau film the monster's inner (human) na-ture is not revealed until his death scene, but in Disney it

death scene, but in Disney it is shown during the opening voice-over.

In the '46 film the first appearance of Beast, the steaming visage of this gorgeous creature by his rose arbor, is emblazoned in memory. But in the '91 remake he looks like the average Saturday morning cartoon.

Indeed, the Beast has been simplified from an incarnasimplified from an incarnation of savage male appetite to someone who simply must learn to hold his temper. As a '90s retelling of folkloric motifs (the forbidden chamber, the loathsome mate, etc.), the film benefits from anti-sexism: an independent Belle, a local loverboy as male chauvinist boor. The computerized cartoon downplays raw sexuality in favor of comedy.

Great Fun

However, as light musical comedy the film is great fun. The audience of kids, when I saw it, even cheered the Disney motif. Young and old also gave applause at the end of a banquet scene choreof a banquet scene chore-ographed a la Busby Berke-ley, the height of camp.

The real stars of the film

are the anthropomorphized kitchen and bedroom items that inhabit the enchanted castle. Angela Lansbury is the voice of a cockney teapot; her cracked teacup son is called

cracked teacup son is called Chip.

The stuffy clock butler is David Ogden Stiers (of M*4*S*H fame), and the candelabra (shades of Cocteau) who kisses him is played by Broadway perennial Jerry Orbach in the style of Chevalier. A female wardrobe shockingly shows her drawers, and a foxy feather duster carries on in the big-butt Dis-

ney tradition of Fantasia

There is also one drag scene, a quote from Sweeney Todd, an anti-AIDS-hysteria mob scene and the surprising voice of Robby Benson — as

mob scene and the surprising voice of Robby Benson — as the Beast. Yet at the reverse werewolf epiphany, we end with a Prince who is disappointingly whitebread — poor Belle.

All told, the songs are the best thing about this film, as they were in The Little Mermaid and Little Shop of Horrors. In all three cases, the team responsible was Howard Ashman (lyricist) and Alan Menken (composer). Ashman died of AIDS this year, and the film is dedicated to him onscreen: "To our friend Howard, who gave a mermaid her voice and a beast his soul. 1950-1991."

You could do worse than taking a child or a lover — or yourself — to see this Beauty and the Beast for good fun. But later be sure to catch the 1946 Cocteau classic — and experience the real fairy tale.

Film Pays Tribute to Gay Soviet Director

by Warren Sonbert

emories of the Caucasus, an intriguing film tribute to the Russian filmmaker Sergei Paradjanov, who died last year, screens tonight only, Dec. 5, at San Francisco State's McKenna

Francisco State's McKenna Theatre.
Paradjanov, whose handful of works — the most famous among them Shadows of Forgotten Ancestors and Legend of Fortress of Suram — are too little known in the United States, was perhaps the Soviet Union's most important cinema artist after Eisenstein. And like Eisenstein, Paradjanov was gay, but the Communist regime didn't approve and forced the director into a concentration didn't approve and forced the director into a concentration camp for homosexuals, leaving him unproductive for a decade.

The director's limited out-

put is surrealistic, lyrical, free-wheeling and embracingly ec-static and erratic. When I at-tended a small cocktail party for him at the New York Film Festival in 1988, his Zorba the Greek-like spirited las-soing of food, drink, women and men was impressively allinclusive.

Memories of the Caucasus

is an oblique documentary that includes some footage

from Paradjanov's films, from Paradjanov's films, a smattering of interviews with his colleagues, glimpses of the director's art collages and travelogue-ish footage of the Russian terrain most associated with his output.

Some of the nude women material (cavorting Amazons) seems needlessly titillating and the extended poetry narration is tiresome and pretentious, but there are some until the small present the second services of the second services of the second services of the second services of the second second services of the second second services of the second s

tious, but there are some un-expectedly winsome visual juxtapositions that unfailingly keep the viewer's eye attentive throughout the welcomely modest course of the film's 60 minutes.

Too many zooms and aimless pans somehow don't vitiate against the work's surpris-ingly resonant and off-thewall approach and ultimate vitality. (Press materials provided list Georgii Vlasenko as director/writer.) The camera cutting is infinitely more poetic than the predominantly stilted narration and almost wins the day. In any case, this is a non-mainstream project that bears checking out.

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Film

Clashing **Parts**

by Kate Bornstein

here is no real theme to the new short-film festival, "Identity: Canadian," at Cine-matheque, save the geography of the filmmakers included in the evening. Curator Fumiko Kiyooka seems to have unin-tentionally done a disservice to the filmmakers represented in this festival. With no theme in this festival. With no theme on which to focus, the viewer must compare not only the quality and style of one film with another but also the theme and content of the evening's works. Nowhere is this more evident than in Kiyooka's own piece.

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The producers of the festival, Cinematheque, have billed the festival as one that will "focus on issues and ideas concerning the self and sexual identity, specifically the breakdown of male and female gender distinctions and the ascension of gay and lesbian sexual attitudes." Kiyooka's film, A Place With Many Rooms, does not live up to the promo — a man and a woman roll around in the desert for entirely too long, and there are too many cinematic gimmicks that detract from our ability to concenfrom our ability to concentrate on the main image. Whereas I might have enjoyed the film on its own, I was distracted by the placement of the piece within the

Taking this into account, on with the festival.

Mike Hoolboom's Red Shift



Theda Bara returns? No, a character in Penelope Buitenhuis' A Dream of Naming spits fish into a bowl

examines how we look at books, words and communication. It contains some nifty wordplay: "What kind of world would it be if we only used our words once?"

The film Divine Mannequin by David Rimmer literally made me dizzy. The camera person shot the entire piece looking downward at his running feet.

The Front Lawn by the late Michael McGarry is an allegory on the arrival of death—a vision of apprehension through a fish-eye lens. A man in white wears chains in a parking lot; a woman in a parking lot; a woman in black brings him coffee to drink. They reappear in sev-eral settings. Who is serving whom? Canadian or Ameri-can, we face today the eerie

prospect of watching the last

prospect of watching the last works of art of our young artists as they die early.

A Dream of Naming by Penelope Buitenhuis is a vaguely S/M-ish, difficult-to-follow piece that might work better onstage. Or not. The startling visuals (one is that of a performance artist onstage. a performance artist onstage spitting small fish from her mouth into a bowl) distract from rather than enhance the text. The clash makes for con-fusion rather than for a dis-

turbance of reality.

OK, if you haven't seen
Shawna Dempsey's We're Talking Vulva yet, go to this festival and see it. This film is rapidly becoming a sta-ple at women's film festivals — one I don't mind seeing re-peatedly. It's a welcome relief (Continued on next page) Theatre

Not Quite a **Concept Musical**

by John F. Karr

ood little queer that I was, I found most of the musicals I saw as a kid stupid. The stories that straight people were will-ing to endure (and applaud) were just too ridiculous. Such romantic drivel. So I was thrilled with the advent of concept musicals. At last, musicals had ideas. Some people comnad ideas. Some people com-plained that concept musicals were emotionally uninvolv-ing, and some were. But that was better than having your brain go numb.

Now there's City of Angels. Not exactly a concept musical, it combines the story musical, it combines the story of a writer in conflict — should Stine sell out and serve up his detective novel to filmdom the way they want it? — with the movie of his novel itself, played live as a musical-within-a-musical. The "movie" is in that tough, L Aunderground Rogartstyle The "movie" is in that tough, LA-underground Bogartstyle, a noirish black-and-white tale of a hard-boiled P.I. who retains his morals while being dicked around by an unscrupulous, though glamorous broad. This double-feature musical is a swell idea and has been carried out by the show's creative team with show's creative team with endless novelty — the movie scenes seem to include the enscenes seem to include the en-tire range of film technique, from dissolves and fades to rear projection and other fan-cy tricks, right before our eyes onstage. There are even quick cuts from reality to movie in the middle of

Problem is, that even with these tricks, City of Angels is pretty uninvolving. Its clever touches are only applique; the twin stories it tells are rather pedestrian. Since the convolupedestrian. Since the convolu-tions of the "movie" story grow unbelievably Byzantine, and since its characters are only parodies we don't care about, we're left awaiting the next stage trick. And the sto-ry of the writer is a trumped-up tale with no real conflict. This guy should tell his prig-gish, nagging girlfriend to lay off. Hollywood is commerce, not art. Let him take his salary and split.

Problems Compounded

These problems are compounded by the musical's score. To the general listener, jazz is not immediately



Secretary (Catherine Cox) and stud (Jeff McCarthy) in City of Angels.

emotional, and Cy Coleman's inventive jazz songs hook us only with a few traditionalstyle show tunes, mostly com-edy numbers. David Zippel's lyrics range from adequate to leaden. Larry Gelbart (M.A.S.H., A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum) provides most of the zip with his quip-laden script, sutting the easy targets of

Forum) provides most of the zip with his quip-laden script, gutting the easy targets of Hollywood with wicked skill. But this isn't new territory, and the cynical, hard-hearted zaps aren't endearing.

Lacking a concept musical's intellectual hooks, and unable to engender an emotional involvement with its characters, City of Angels kept me waiting for something to happen. Nothing does happen, but it doesn't happen very creatively.

The performances are mostly swell. Jeff McCarthy, as the private eye, is a handsome hunk with a great voice and suave style. Catherine Cox, of the original cast of Baby, is a winsome standout as his secretary, and Lauren Mitchell scores as the babe who sets the plot spinning. Stephen Bogardus (most re-

as ins secretary, and Lauren Mitchell scores as the babe who sets the plot spinning. Stephen Bogardus (most recently of Falsettoland) does what he can with the novelist and sings with a fervent, bright voice.

With Grand Hotel opening in San Francisco in just two more months, this run of City of Angels lets us reconvene the 1990 Tony Awards. Angels won Best Musical, Score and Book, with Grand Hotel taking Best Director and Choreographer. I wouldn't miss making the comparison, but I sure wish City of Angels had made me care about its creativity.

City of Angels Golden Gate Theatre, through



Stephen Bogardus as the novelist Stine and Leslie Dennison as Gabby in Larry Gelbart's *City of Angels*.



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Joan Collins in Noel Coward's 'Private Lives'

More Sitcom Than Soiree

by John F. Karr

f you merely want to see Joan Collins doing Private Lives, you'll probably be satisfied by the star turn offered up at the Curran Theatre, where a specially prepared American edition of Miss Collins' 1990 West End production of the play is ensconced. But if you want to see a revival of Noel Coward's Private Lives, you'll have to take this production with an Olympiansized grain of salt.

It's not at all bad, mind you. But in its boisterous, yucked-up, knockabout way, it is more sitcom than soiree—not quite the sophisticated romp Coward's tune "World Waaru" sets the store wall for

romp Coward initially envisioned.

Coward's tune "World Weary" sets the stage well for the entrances of once-wed Elyot (Simon Jones of Brideshead Revisited, Brazil and Privates on Parade) and Amanda (Miss Collins), who accidentally meet on the day of their marriages to new spouses only to find their magnetic attraction for each other irresistible. But where is the languor of these world-weary travelers, the shiver of their rekindled spark, the futility of their resistance?

The athletic first act misses not only moonlight on the overly bright hotel balcony (lighting by Richard Nelson), but romance itself. Mugging and bouncing about at high energy Collins is more Luce.

and bouncing about at high energy, Collins is more Lu-cille Ball than mercurial, evanescent Gertrude Lawrence, for whom the role was created and who set its standard.

Wrongheaded Direction

This frenetic approach is amplified in the succeeding

Clashing (Continued from previous page)

in this sea of significance.

Shaggie opens and closes with the powerful contradicting of Christian prayers with a litany of rage. This film is the hidden gem of the festival.

val.

A voice-only narrator reads portions of letters from "Shaggie," a woman put into jail for slashing (herself?) as well as for other crimes (or not). The voice is set over a series of touching, powerful images of women and prison—some staged, some all too real. Filmmaker Janis Cole has mastered the art of understatement.

statement.

Man (Anne Marie Fleming and Hoolboom) is a wonderful visual portrait of "man" as a social construct — from primal man to high heels and feather boas. The film is both instruc-tive and entertaining.

Animator Katherine Li

Animator Katherine Li puts watercolor into motion with her entry Sabina, cap-turing the delicious ache of waiting for love. Sitting by the phone will never be the

same.
Individually, the films might stand up well. Taken as an evening, however, the pieces clash too strongly with one another to make the festival work.

Identity: Canadian SF Cinematheque, Dec. 8, 8 p.m. SF Cinemat 558-8129

acts, where Miss Collins performs the splits, turns a love song into a Charleston, and presents Amanda as an overaged flapper. In an interview, Collins said that her revival needed to be worked up for American audiences. She's added, in the wrongheaded yet tight and inventive direction of noted director Arvin Brown, a type of broad-based buffoonery which attempts to mine a comic vein not present in the words.

mine a comic vein not present in the words.

Perhaps Collins should have chosen another play to appear in, rather than adjust-ing this one to her expecta-tions of her American fans' taste. She's pulled the rug out from under herself in not trusting the play causing a out from under herself in not trusting the play, causing a pratfall from which the evening is not able to recover — despite some comic inventiveness and some shards of momentary magic the play itself is able to generate. The play is unreal. But there's an utter lack of truth in the proutter lack of truth in the pro-

ceedings of this production.

This Private Lives is not without its moments though, most of them gratis gay innuendo. When one character asserts, "I'm glad I'm normal," the retort "What a thing to be glad about!" receives applause. A reference to leather attire gets a laugh. And it's always a treat to assess the

attire gets a laugh. And it's always a treat to assess the play's gay aesthetic and see how things have changed since the '30s.

Its characters survive through witty wordplay, fabulous clothes and an utter self-indulgence. Courting is as habitual for them as conversation, or perhaps, since as habitual for them as conversation, or perhaps, since they have little to actually talk about, it has replaced conversation. With little to base their relationship on except lust, the empty pauses of their mismatch are filled with banter. And when reality presents itself escape is the only sents itself, escape is the only course of action. These really are vacuous people; the joke has always

Frenzied footwork: A wide-eyed Joan Collins hoofs it in Noel Coward's *Private Lives*, while Simon Jones looks on disapprovoto: T. Charles Erickson

been that Coward's glib writing, in a frothy vehicle created for nothing more than the display of two stars, has made people the world over ape this parody of upper-class ro-

mance.
Edward Dukes is polished perfection as the stuffy Vic-

tor, but Jill Tasker's shallow Sybil is a tedious caricature. Swank sets by Loren Sher-man; appropriate costumes by William Ivy Long.

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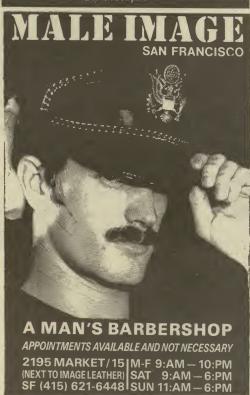
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Books

Revolutionizing the Language

An Intimate Wilderness: Lesbian Writers on Sexuality Edited by Judith Barrington; Eighth Mountain Press, \$14.95

by Deborah Peifer

ne of the problems with being an officially designated other, on the outs with the dominant culture, is that the only language we have with which to communidisregards or distorts our existence. When the subject is lesbian sexuality, the other's other as it were, the language

other as it were, the language subverts our meanings, and the result is falsehoods that deny and defame.

A sociological study on sexuality was the catalyst for An Intimate Wilderness, a collection of fiction and nonfiction, prose and poetry, that begins the process of creating a language that explicates our lives. It seems that, according to this study, lesbians "had sex" less frequently than gay men or heterosexuals.

However, a deeper look at the study made clear that what the gay men and heterosexuals were talking about when they talked about "having sex" took an average of eight minutes from start to finish, while what lesbians were talking about took hours (indeed, one of the best definitions I've ever heard of a les-

(indeed, one of the best defini-tions I've ever heard of a les-bian quickie is the afternoon). bian quickie is the afternoon). Surely the activities being discussed, despite the similarity of the language, were nothing like each other. But reports of this study simply reported the bare facts, as it were, and left lesbians with another myth that had nothing to do with our real lives and much to do

with how a phallocentric culture ignores our lives and leaves us (literally and figura-

leaves us (literally and figuratively) speechless.

The 45 writers represented in this collection work to create language that expresses the many and varied aspects of our sexual lives, and the writing is superb. Of course, any collection that includes a piece by Anna Livia is already a very good collection; An Intimate Wilderness is considerably more than mereconsiderably more than merely good. My mention of certain favorite essays, stories and poems serves only to hint at the wonders of this collec-tion, not to limit its wealth to

tion, not to limit its wealth to named treasures.

Marilyn Frye's essay "Lesbian 'Sex' " states the problem of language with wisdom and clarity. When we try to live up (or down) to the eightminute standard, Frye writes that "we end up trying to mold our living and passionate carnal intercourse into explosive eight-minute events. That is not the timing and on-That is not the timing and on-tology of the lesbian body." Instead of limiting our def-

initions, Frye recommends that we create "a vocabulary that elaborates and expands our meanings. ... Let it be an open, generous, commodious concept encompassing all the acts and activities by which we generate with each other pleasures and thrills, tender-

pleasures and thrins, tender-ness and ecstasy."

In her autobiographical es-say, "Not for Years But for Decades," Joanna Russ ex-plores the denial of experi-ence that is the result of the



paucity of language. Audre Lord celebrates "The Uses of the Erotic" when she says that "there is, for me, no difference between writing a good poem and moving into sunlight against the body of a woman I love."

This collection is not erote.

This collection is not erotica, although much of the writing is highly erotic. Nor is this a collection of theoretical essays, although there is much theoretical writing that is wooderfully clear and lust is wonderfully clear and lu-cid, and absent of the jargon

cid, and absent of the jargon that serves to separate rather than to connect.

An Intimate Wilderness represents finally a revolutionary attempt to wrest control of language from the phallocrats and to create a language that truly communicates our lived lives. This is a stunning collection, one that a stunning collection, one that will engage your mind, your soul and your body, and may just change the way you think about your sexual body and your sexual life.

Mapping Our Lives With Passion

An Atlas of the Difficult World: Poems 1988-1991 by Adrienne Rich; Norton, \$17.95

by Noreen C. Barnes

n Adrienne Rich's latest collection of poetry, An Atlas of the Difficult World, she continues to frame the intersection of her own life with that of others own in with a unique, discerning vision.

The 13-part title poem crosses cultural barriers to reveal the threads that connect

us, that make our lives paral-lel, not polar. The language of geography and cartogra-phy, in Rich's work, has new meaning: Here is a map of our coun-

try:
here is the Sea of Indiffer-

ence, glazed with salt
This is the haunted river flowing from brow to groin

we dare not taste its water This is the desert where missiles are planted like corns This is the breadbasket of

This is the breadbasket of foreclosed farms
Rich guides us throughout the land of crushed lives and dreams to a "sea-town of myth and story / when the fishing fleets went bankrupt / here is where the jobs were / on the pier processing frozen fishsticks / hourly wages and no shares."
"Atlas" travels from New England to the Pacific Ocean,

England to the Pacific Ocean, from a Vermont autumn evening lost in family memories to absorbing the horror of a lesbian couple shot while camping on the Appalachian trail and the conditions en-

dured by migrant farm workers in California. Rich weaves history lesson with social commentary (as all good history lessons do).

Incomprehensible Conflict

"A potato explodes in the oven" opens her ode to Irish immigrants. She travels along immgrants. She travels along roads, paths and freeways, crosses bridges, ponders the urban crowds, and cherishes rural solitude. George Jackson's *Prison Letters* inspires her contemplation of Soledad; the Gulf War remains incomprehensible:

— power and powerlessness run amuck, a tape reeling backward

in jeering, screeching sylla

some for whom war is new, others for whom it merely continues

the old paroxysms of time some marching for peace who for 20 years did not march for

justice some for whom peace is a white man's word and a white man's privilege

some who have learned to handle and contemplate the shapes of

powerlessness and power The end of "Atlas" comes back directly to the reader, "I know you are reading this

Short poems comprise the second half of the book. Some images are hard to



Adrienne Rich

grasp; others take a number of readings for an image to form. But outstanding in this

form. But outstanding in this group, and as carefully constructed as "Atlas," is the terse and riveting "Eastern War Time," a chronicle of over half a century of women's lives shattered by war. For decades Rich has been mapping our lives with dense, provocative poems and essays, speaking to and for us, responding to political and personal events with urgent clarity and a rare, real passion. An Atlas of the Difficult World may be the apex of accomplishment in a distincomplishment in a distinguished career.

Guide to the Foreign

Foreign Affairs: The National Society of Film Critics' Video Guide to Foreign Films Edited by Kathy Schulz Huffhines; Mercury House, \$14.95

by Warren Sonbert

oreign Affairs is an anthology containing a handful of challenging and illuminating essays on criticism of foreign films. But unfortunately the bulk is terrible writing, even often offensive and ultimately

often offensive and ultimately of limited interest. Editor Kathy Schulz Huffhines died tragically in a freak car accident a few months before publication. I wish I could report that this massive compilation is a worthy tribute to her career, but such is not the case. Perhaps had she lived and combed out had she lived and combed out the excesses the net result would have been more re-

would have been more re-warding.
First of all, film is not video. Seeing a movie on one's TV is hardly the same visceral and cerebral experi-ence as celluloid projected in the correct ratio in a dark-ened theatre. And to equate

ened theatre. And to equate these different media as interchangeable betrays the qualities of both.

None of the hundreds of critical selections is dated. Analyses by Andrew Sarris from the '60s sit cheek by jowl with items penned by others in the '90s. The orderings and groupings of the sections register a haphazard, confused stratery.

confused strategy.

One might anticipate

that the weight of interest would lie in the earlier clas-sics of World Cinema, but in this book's distorted perspec-tive the charlatan Bertrand tive the charlatan Bertrand Blier is given three different writers on three individual films extending over 11 pages, while FW. Murnau, Josef Von Sternberg, Fritz Lang, Carol Reed, David Lean, Michael Powell — to name but a few of the slighted — get one film and a skimpy paragraph each.

Insight Among the Woeful

While creative minds and fluid pens come fitfully to the fore — John Powers on Ozu had me in tears; Dave Kehr on The Seven Samurai is suon The Seven Samurai is superb; no one can touch Pauline Kael on Ophuls; Sragow is insightful on The Leopard, as is Henry Sheehan on Chabrol's Story of Women, and Jonathan Rosenbaum's entries on Tati and Bunuel made me want to rush right out and see their works again — the majority of the writing is woefully inadequate and shabbily executed.

ed.
You'd think Huffhines would be embarrassed to include junk by Roger Ebert (pathetic on Wetherby), Bruce Williamson, Jay Carr, Joseph Gelmis, Richard Schickel (the Pat Buchanan of



film critics) and Armond White alongside the solid contributions by Owen Glieberman (Sid and Nancy), Rosen baum (Distant Voices, Still Lives) and Kehr (The Nun, Once Upon a Time in the

West).

When Huffhines in her plot synopsis of Cal fails to realize the similarity to Lubitsch's The Man I Killed, you feel ashamed for her lack of knowledge of film history. But with Peter Rainer (re Bizarre Bizarre) that's all you get — plot synopsis. This is film criticism?

Kept in the Closet

Murnau, Eisenstein, Vigo and Cocteau are never identiand Cocteau are never identified as being gay by any of the writers. There are exceptions — Carrie Rickey is attuned to the sexual persuasion of Pedro Almodovar as Rosenbaum is for Terence
Davies — but generally this is
not the case. One would think
this might be almost as important an element in dis-

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Sexy, Scary Tales

Embracing the Dark Edited by Eric Garber; Alyson, \$8.95

by Noreen C. Barnes

mbracing the Dark, a new collection of horror tales edited by Eric Garber, is a chilling delight. This assortment of jewels ranges from works written over a century ago to brand-new short stories. Spanning sexualities, race and class, they include werewolves, vampires and other macabre manifestations.

Gav and lesbian characters

Gay and lesbian characters are at the center of these stories, which are always homophilic and occasionally feminist, besides being touching, ironic and seductive. Several offer very strong responses to topical issues.

es to topical issues.

Jewelle Gomez takes us on a walk late at night with Gilda, the black lesbian vampire of her Gilda Stories; Nina Kiriki Hoffman gives shivery new meaning to the idea of creating a work of art; D.T. Steiner's adolescent protagonist is sedured by her "sister." Steiner's adolescent protago-nist is seduced by her "sister of the night"; Kij Johnson's "Ferata" is a powerfully pleas-ing story of a rape avenged by a pale stranger; while "Succubus" by Jess Wells fol-lows a financial district les-bian on a most unusual day, as her body is intruded upon by her mother's explic presher mother's erotic pres-

ence.
"Manor" is Kennedy's translation of a sto-ry written in 1885 by Karl

Heinrich Ulrichs of gay love that continued from beyond the grave on barren Scandinathe grave on barren Scandinavian islands; Jay B. Laws contributes "Imagined," a steamy
tale of a porn writer visited
by an all-too-real fantasy character; John Peyton Cooke's
macabre "The Strawberry
Man" rivals Stephen King; a
vampire returns to his
wealthy family's home for a
relative's funeral in the humorous "Blood Relations" by
Jeffrey N. McMahan; the old
man in Peter Robins' "Cheriton" recalls the night of a full
moon more than half a century before; and Adrian Nikolas
Phoenix's "Sacrament" is a
touching story of a teenage touching story of a teenage hustler dying of AIDS who realizes his superhero dreams in an unexpected way.

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Adam Rolston, Untitled (installation), 1991; 11x11x17 inches each (1.000 total).

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Radically

the mainstream art world is paying ever-closer attention to lesbian and gay voices.

Candyass Carnival

It's not every day that one sees a Candyass Carnival. Cary Leibowitz/Candyass manned the stands daily at New York's Stux Gallery to sell multiply produced items like squeezably soft footballs amblazoned with "Sisery" On emblazoned with "Sissy." emblazoned with "Sissy." On a recent visit to Stux Gallery, the artist was signing several of these to send to San Fran-cisco for New Langton's an-nual Benefit Art Sale. The largest painting in Lei-bowitz/Candyass' show was given away in a free raffle. It's a painting of loud stripes with "Loozer" scrawled across the surface.

An outstanding aspect of the Leibowitz/Candyass show was that it also involved many other talented young artists in

'The first time I was told I had breast cancer, I nearly lost consciousness. ... Later, when my doctor said the mammogram looked bad, I saw a piece.'' Nancy Fried

turning out an array of objects priced under \$25. Hunter Reynolds, who ran a kissing booth as Patina du Prey, made a paper fan and a shopping bag. Robin Kahn made the *House of Horrors* (a walkway of flowery fabric walls) and sold the sound-track (of herself singing). Kay Rosen made a blue ribbon with 69 spellings of Sisyphus. Aura Rosenberg took orgasm snapshots of Candyass.

"The main idea always "The main idea always ends up being that I like people to be able to take things home," Leibowitz says.

"That's an idea that I'm going to push as much as I can. I wish more artists would make multiples."

'Safe-Sex Propaganda'

A year and a half ago, when Adam Rolston was finishing his collaboration with Douglas Crimp on the book AIDS Demographics, he began to show what he called "safe-sex propaganda" in some gay night spots. He re-cently completed two remark-able installations of multiply produced objects in commer cial art spaces

cial art spaces.

At Wessel O'Connor he converted the gallery into a rough warehouse and installed 1,000 uniform cardboard boxes bearing emblems of Trojans Latex Condoms. All together, they loosely took on the form of a cityspace, addressing Urban Realism, Pop (recalling Warhol's Brillo boxes) and Minimalism.

While the installation pro-

While the installation provided a sexual charge, it also recalled past embarrassments and more recent anxieties. And while they evoke abundance, the boxes (which are

dance, the boxes (which are not real Trojans shipping boxes) are actually empty.

"It's like a painting of the gay domestic landscape or our sexual landscape," Rolston says. "It's about a very specific condition right now. If that room were really filled with condoms, it would represent something like half a million dollars. That's the reality of sex in our culture."

In another Soho space,

In another Soho space, Rolston's Urban Realism is constructed with disposable coffee cups, stacked in a huge rectangle on the floor. On the cups are printed "I Love rectangle on the floor. On the cups are printed "I Love Jodie Foster" in the form of the "I Love New York" logo. It could be a camp-inspired adulation of a powerful female icon. Rolston says that it is his most personal work thus far, as it raises issues of gender identification.

Devastating Diseases

Well-known sculptor Nancy Fried also crossed gender lines in her most recent exhibit. Her clay sculptures of

Bill Costa, Untitled

hibit. Her clay sculptures of human-sized penises are tender, if not reverential, as well as humorous. They can, additionally, raise questions about how blindly male power is handed over, almost as a natural birthright.

Breasts form another major component of this exhibit. Fried says, "AIDS and breast cancer are two devastating diseases. The first time I was told I had breast cancer, I nearly lost consciousness. Four-and-a-half years later, when my doctor said the mammogram looked bad, the first thing that happened was I saw a piece. I saw a Mexican-type altar with rows and rows of breasts."

Fried's work with breasts is original, and there is a sense in which her forms are nearly functional, as offerings of luck and healing, as amulets that can allay fear

of luck and healing, as amulets that can allay fear and offer protection, or as em-blems of suffering and mourning.

Gender Transformation

Catherine Opie, a Los Angeles-based photographer, took a hard stare at gender transformation in her first New York solo exhibit at 494 New York solo exhibit at 494 Gallery (a new women's photographic cooperative space). Many of the women in her 14 type-C prints are involved in a recent phenomenon called Daddy Boy.

As Opie says, "You take on this stereotype about gay leather men, which some lesbians have always been seduced about. For me, it's not about completely identifying as males, it's about pushing

as males, it's about pushing the boundaries of gender."

Opie's large-format facial portraits of women wearing mustaches and other maleidentified adornments against a glowing yellow backing is both an intimate formation of the artist's playing with gender roles and a form of documentation of a community of women in rapid flux in a Conceptual format.

Out of Narrative Frame

Another young photogra-pher, David LaChapelle, is well-known on the East Coast for his extensive magazine work as well as gallery shows with large, dramatic color

prints of nude figures in acprints of indee lightes in active quest of freedom. At his latest installation, at Tomoko Liguori Gallery, he has taken a dramatic step out of the narrative frame.

Individual smaller pho-

tographs of very comely nudes form links in a long chain of glowing bodies. Larger nude forms have been cut out and combined to form circles on the walls.



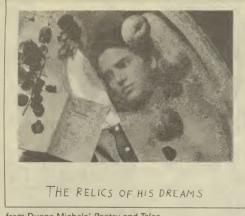
Tributes to Male Beauty

Another photographer of the male nude, Bill Costa, continues his black-and-white tributes to male beauty in moody natural light at Puchong Gallery. Jean Genet has been a primary inspiration for Costa. In the past he has often Costa. In the past he has often verged on making icons or saints of his young men in di-lapidated surroundings. In his latest series, the combinations of human forms and architecture look more directly Romantic and Constructivist

Michals' 'Homoaromic'

One of the acknowledged masters of photography, often called the Father of the Mod-ern Narrative Photo Series, Duane Michals, recently opened a new solo exhibit. Michals allows his themes about consciousness to unfold in steady lines of develop-ment. The rhymed poems are given greater space in his new childhood nursery rhymes, his contemplations on death, love and loss, on forms of fatherhood and family, on the artists who came before and after him, and on the bizarre and dreamlike na-

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from Duane Michals' Poetry and Tales





Michael Tilson Thomas

Symphony Advent

by Philip Campbell

he San Francisco Symphony got an early jump on the holidays last week with an all-choral concert celebrating the Christian period of Advent. The much closer festival of lights, Hanukkah, was bypassed, but the program choices were less a religious event than a pleasing overture to the season.

Before we start delving into the Christmas rush, however, special mention must be

into the Christmas rush, however, special mention must be made of conductor Michael Tilson Thomas' visit the previous week. After the disappointing mid-November premiere of John Adams' El Dorado, Thomas treated us to an evening with the real American avant-garde. American avant-garde. Charles Ives has been dead for 37 years, but his music is for 37 years, but his music is still as provocative, enlivening and purely Yankee as any-thing composed today. The giant, joyous Symphony No. 4 was given a hearty perfor-mance that surprised non-be-lievers and thrilled enthusi-

asts.
As principal conductor of the London Symphony Orchestra, Tilson Thomas has been earning the recognition American audiences have always been curiously slow in giving. His championing of George Gershwin and Ives is admirable, and judging from the knockout theatricality of this recent concert, his authority is indisputable.

Rollicking Ride

The huge forces required for the Ives Fourth responded wonderfully to Mr. Thomas' command. The San Francisco Symphony Chorus sang six of the hymn tunes referred to in the hymn tunes referred to in the score as an appropriate prelude, and from there it was a rollicking ride to the finish with percussion pounding from below the stage floor, strings and harp in the balcony, and members of the orchestra rising to play important phrases. It was moving and overwhelming and terrific — everything Ives had in mind. Thanks to the dashing Michael Tilson Thomas. Please bring us more sometime soon!

Rehearsal time is always at

Please bring us more sometime soon!

Rehearsal time is always at a premium, and Music Director Herbert Blomstedt, returning from a brief hiatus, must have seen the need to lavish most of it on the deceptively tricky Cantate de Noel by Arthur Honegger. The results were stylish, and if the chorus sounded distinctly non-Gaelic, the overall effect was perfectly charming. The complicated cross rhythms and overlapping melodies were easily navigated, and the orchestral texture had a lovely translucence. The brief,

but thoroughly satisfying Christmas Cantata made up for the only intermittently successful first half of the con-

The Charpentier Te Deum received an overdue San Francisco Symphony premiere with the orchestra battling the dead acoustics of the auditorium and five excellent selected provided in such a soloists positioned in such a way as to almost negate their presence

presence.

The grandly designed baroque score should have blazed where it merely proceeded. The regal strains of Charpentier's most famous music sounded pleasant enough, but a less pedestrian reading would have shone the burnished glory of the writing. Soprano Ann Monoyios, mezzos Stephanie Friedman and Patricia Spence, tenor John Aler and baritone Kevin McMillan were equal to the John Aler and baritone Kevin McMillan were equal to the task — if only Mr. Blomstedt had been in deeper accord.

Brighter Patches

Brighter Patches

The same soloists were used in the following Vesperae Solennes de Confessore by Mozart. The acoustical problems were identical, but there were brighter patches mainly due to the sheer beauty of the writing. The San Francisco Symphony Chorus, usually so dependable, sounded muddy; their pronunciation was unintelligible. The text printed in the program was useless.

tion was unintelligible. The text printed in the program was useless.

There are so many variables involved in good concertizing, especially on a weekly basis. One had hoped that Maestro Blomstedt would show more control after all this time. It was not a bad performance, just a mediocre one. Thank goodness, the Honegger was saved for last.

There will be ample opportunity for more heartfelt holiday cheer in the weeks to come: the annual Messiah, the "Candlelight Christmas Chorus" concert and "Christmas Pipe Dreams." If the chestnuts being roasted are old ones, perhaps better rehearsals will be less important.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Dec. 12-14. John

hearsals will be less important.
Be sure to mark your calendars for Dec. 12-14. John Corigliano's Symphony No. 1 is receiving its San Francisco Symphony debut.
Written as an elegy for friends of the composer, in particular those who have died of AIDS, it is an important and finely wrought work. Take a chance on the superb compact disc version by compact disc version by Daniel Barenboim and the Chicago Symphony Orches-tra; the cover shows three panels from the Names Pro-ject Quilt. It is a searing and deachy moving experience deeply moving experience which will help prepare listeners for the concerts.

Well Sung and Well Hun

by George Heymont

hen the curtain rose on the San Francisco Opera's new production of Verdi's Attila, the audience was greeted by a front drop that was a reproduction of Raphael's famous fresco The Francisca Attila the Sandard Sanda

Raphael's famous fresco The Encounter Between Attila the Hun and St. Leo the Great. One doesn't encounter a stunned Hun very often.

Yet the final production of the 1991 fall season recreated this moment with a touching dramatic flair. First, there was the bare-chested Samuel Ramey as Attila, writhing in bed during a nightmare until he awoke and confessed his prophetic dream to a fellow barbarian. In the Hun's nightmare, an old man would tell barbarian. In the Hun's mght-mare, an old man would tell the feared conqueror that he was doomed to be remem-bered as the scourge of mankind and was forever for-bidden entry into Rome. In Act II, the audience wit-nessed a tidy re-enactment of Attible's dream as a confused

Attila's dream, as a confused chorus of Huns watched their fearless leader quake in front of a cross. These two mo-ments of intense theatricality were communicated to the audience with rare effective-ness thanks to supertitles. And it's important to under-stand why

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The production of Attila which finally arrived on the stage of San Francisco's War Memorial Opera House has had a rather curious history. Originally created as a joint



Sam Ramey as Attila

venture between the Lyric Opera of Chicago, the New York City Opera and the San Diego Opera, this Attila was first seen in Chicago in 1980—when supertitles had not yet been introduced to the opera

world.

In its initial outing, the opera was abominably misdirected by Ernest Poettgen.
The bass singing the lead role (Nicolai Ghiaurov) was laid low with 10 days of hiccups and the Odabella (Gilda Cruz-Romo) was hardly in the best of voice. To get through the evening, the principals focused their attention entirely on the prompter's box. In my first encounter with the opera, Attila struck me as an evening of well-intentioned, but phenomenally boring theatre.

City Opera Does Better

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My mind changed in 1981, when the New York City Opera performed Attila in Lincoln Center and Los Angeles. This time around, Sam Ramey and Justino Diaz shared the title role, with Marilyn Zschau screaming up a storm as Odabella and tenor Enrico di Giuseppe making an impressive comeback as Foresto. With Sergiu Commissiona on the podium and Lotfi Mansouri directing, the opera looked and sounded one helluva lot better than it had in Chicago.

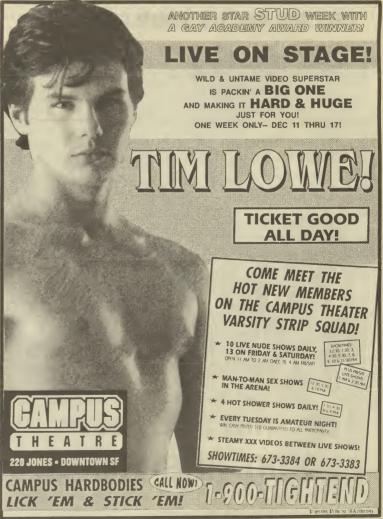
At that time, I wrote that "the opera itself boasts some of Verdi's strongest footthumping patriotic rhythms,

"the opera itself boasts some of Verdi's strongest foot-thumping patriotic rhythms, offering a fine vehicle to singers who wish to lay the audience out in the aisles with star turns."

A lot has happened since then. In 1983, Lotfi Mansouri (then acting as general director of the Canadian Opera Company) ran a landmark experiment on Toronto audiences by using supertitles on COC's production of Elektra. The rest, as they say, is history. Supertitles have since transformed the operatic landscape and brought new life to many a production, including this Attila.

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Nancy Fried, Like a Baby, 1991; terra cotta, 94x24x104

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This new exhibit, however, contains Michals' most clear political statement on lesbian and gay rights as well as openly "homoaromic" (as Michals prefers to call them) poems. Michals says, "I want to talk about love between men, and there's a lack of insight into that in most books or shows with gay themes. I love imagination and long for insight. I try to be as honest as I can about my feelings. I'm almost 60 now, and with I'm almost 60 now, and with every year, more doors open."

Sensuous Surrealist

A noted painter who draws freely from the Surrealist tradition, Juan Gonzalez, opened his exhibit at Nancy Hoffman Gallery. There are veral luminous meditations

The mainstream art world is paying ever-closer attention to lesbian and gay voices.

on death here which should be noted as monuments among artworks from the era of AIDS. His three sensuous paintings of a diver over wa-ter, breaking the surface and then submerged in an under-world is based on the cover of an ancient Roman athlete's tomb.

He notes, "I want to open poetic possibilities. I want to break up logic and choose ab-

solute freedom. When I look at art through history, the most intimate and poetic courage.

Fluctuating Context

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Nicola Tyson is a painter who unites raw material from both the Surrealist and Conceptual traditions. Her automatic drawings of bound forms are set in a large yellow field painting, with a single word at the top corner. The word might be "Mum." For this British-born artist, this refers to her relationship to her mother in the form of flash reading cards from school. In their American context, they also become about the unspoken and about unwillingness to speak about cerwillingness to speak about certain subjects.

Neo-Minimalists

Several artists are currently showing work sprung from a Minimalist tradition. Michael Jenkins explores loss in objects that are bright yellow, the in-ternational code, at sea, for quarantine. Ull Hohn's seductive paintings, incorporating photographs of newborn ba-bies, allude to a reconstruction of the basis of painting which incorporates an idea of "difference" in orientation.

Siobhan Liddell's Abstract-Minimal constructions use everyday objects to allude to the

eryday objects to allude to the fragility of relationships and the body — as well as the strength of sensuous, intuitive discovery. David Cabrera, at 303 Gallery, also draws from the common, everyday experiences of a loving relationship which forms the support for his commitment to, AIDS achis commitment to AIDS activism. The past "purity" of Minimalism continues to be "dirtied" with direct personal and sensual depictions.



A Day Without Art

Joe Goode led his performance group in *Their Names Must Be Spoken*, in memory of artists and others who have died of AIDS. The performance was one of a number of "A Day Without Art" events Dec. 1. (Photo: Jane Cleland)

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Lombardialla Prima Crocciata and Attila may suffer from sloppy construction, convoluted plots and a lack of sophistication, there can be no denying that their scores pack the kind of dramatic wallop that can make an audience come alive with excitement. When alive with excitement. When the more militaristic passages of music start coming from the pit, there are moments in each of these operas when the sheer power of the music is strong enough to make a group of pacifists rush off to war.

Same, Only Different

The performance of Attila that I attended at the San Francisco Opera last week had a rather curious effect on me. After one has roamed the operatic turf, attending hundreds of productions one? dreds of productions, one's memory can, and often does, begin to blur. There were many moments during this performance when the pro-duction seemed remarkably different than I recalled from different than I recalled from previous viewings. The phys-ical sets were basically the ical sets were basically the same. Sam Ramey's costumes were basically the same. Yet the opera had a completely different feel to it.

As it turns out, some changes had been made. The sets had been significantly refurbished, many costumes re-built for the San Francisco performances, and I'd bet that Joan Arhelger spruced up the lighting plots. With Laura Alley recreating much of Lotfi Mansouri's original stage direction (from the New York City Opera's performances), many important moments were framed with much more theatrical clarity. The supertitles added immensely to that sense of dramatic urgency. sense of dramatic urgency.

Most important, however, was the fact that the lead singers were keenly focused on what the music was trying to say and the style in which to say and the style in which emotions were meant to be communicated through the score. Over the years, Attila has become one of Sam Ramey's many signature roles, and the character, both physically and vocally, fits him like a glove. While some critics complain about the fact that opera companies rush to bare Ramey's chest at every given opportunity, has anyone

that opera companies rush to bare Ramey's chest at every given opportunity, has anyone asked how many bass-baritones nearing 50 are worth looking at? Or listening to in that condition? Ramey pretty much stands alone.

While the Hun was countered by Luis Giron May's rather stalwart Ezio and Antonio Ordonez's somewhat pallidly sung Foresto, the fiercest threat to Attila's strength came from Elizabeth Connell's Odabella, who lusted for vengeance yet knew how to caress a sword with cunning, guile and a fierce display of fiorituri. Connell's performance was a full-throated delight, capturing the spirit of Verdi's vengeful females with the kind of lusty, character-driven coloratura which has all but disappeared from the operatic stage. Her musical moments were not just well sung — they were great fun for devout opera queens and a fitting finale to the 1991 season.

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Gay Swimmer to Head **Regional Sports Organization**

In another step forward for visibility and acceptance of lesbians and gays in athletics, a sports governing body selected an openly gay athlete as its executive officer Jast

Rick Windes, a member of the San Francisco Recre-ation and Park Department's Tsunami Gay & Lesbian Mas-ters Swim Club and outgoing rers swim club and oldgoring men's co-chair of Team San Francisco, was elected to serve a two-year term as chairperson of Pacific Masters Swimming, beginning in Jan-

Windes, 36, will head the largest regional body (North-

ern and Central California and Western Nevada) in Unit-ed States Masters Swimming, as 6,500 of the country's 28,000 adult competitive and fitness swimmers are registered with the 80-plus clubs within Pacific Masters Swimming jurisdiction. Also known mingjurisdiction. Also known fondly by its acronym, PMS, Pacific Masters administers over 30 competitive and fun events yearly, ranging from pool meets and lake and ocean swims to fitness, instructional and officiating clinics. Participants in PMS programs include novice swimmers and former Olympians, ranging in age

from 19 to 88.

Official Sanction

PMS is no stranger to rec-ognizing lesbian/gay athletics; it officially sanctioned the swimming competition for Gay Games II in 1986 under the sponsorship of the San Francisco Recreation and Park Masters. In 1990, over 100 swimmers from eight PMS clubs participated in the

swimming events at Gay Games III in Vancouver. When asked about his in-volvement with a "straight" volvement with a "straight" athletic organization, Windes responded, "My coming out of swimming retirement to participate in Masters swimming is directly attributable to Dr. Tom Waddell's founding of the Gay Games movement in 1981-82. Since then, Masters swimming has gradually become receptive to the fact that lesbian and gay swimmers benefit from its programs promoting fitness and competitive opportunities for adults. Continuing this ed-ucation process will be one of my priorities as PMS chair-

person."
Windes added that he hopes that his new position will encourage other IGLA (International Gay & Lesbian Aquatics) members to become



Rick Windes is the new chairperson of Pacific Masters

more actively involved in their regional and national sports organizations.

"Masters swimming, synchronized swimming, water polo and diving governing bodies need to be made more aware that lesbian and gay at lates." athletes who participate in IGLA activities are an increasing portion of their membership base. IGLA members must be recognized and supported as assets to adult aquatics fitness and

competitive programs. I might add that this applies equally to other adult sports programs in which lesbians and gays participate," he said. Locally, persons who are interested in the San Francisco Recreation & Park Department's Tsunami Gay & Lesbian Masters Swim Club can call 241-9632 for information. Or for information on IGLA Or for information on IGLA activities in Northern and Central California, call Rick Windes at (415) 285-5659.

Pool

Playoff Upsets Precede Women's Pool Weekend

The S.F. Pool Association's fall season playoffs produced the first eight casualties in first-round action Nov. 19; several favored seeds were among the victims.

The Predators inflicted a 9-1 devastation on Transfer Ballbusters. A similar 9-1 fate befell No. 15-seeded San Marcos Cue-Tease at the hands of No. 2-seeded A/C D/C Q-Club, with the Marcos players missing several key shots that could have made the match closer.

have made the match closer. Third-seeded Cinch Weseed-so overcame Giraffe Deep Throats by a closer 9-5 margin, while fourth-seeded Q-Live-Crew stopped Badlands Rock 'N' Roll, 9-4. The Swallow Terminators, seeded sixth, were the only other team to prove its favored status, whipping Badlands Final Analysis by a 9-5

The parade of upset victims began with Team International's devastating 9-2 elimination of No. 8-seeded Q-Cumbers. International next faces the Predators in round two at the Q-Club. Another favored team was shocked when No. 5-seeded Red Bearons fell to a 9-5 onslaught by Team In-terlude, who will face Q-Live-

Crew in round two The No. 7 seeding would

prove unlucky for the eve out by a 9-7 margin by the Reflections Killer BEEzzz, who next face A/C D/C O-Club.

Round-two action, also a single-match, single-elimination round, is rounded out by Cinch Weesedso at Swallow Termiweeseaso at Swallow Terminators. The winners of the four round-two matches go on to best-of-three match series in rounds three and four.

Women's Pool Weekend

Two women's pool events began Nov. 23 when the Q-Club hosted the SFPA's Women's West Coast Challenge Qualifier and Chalker's

Billiard Club in Emeryville hosted the final stop on the California Women's 9-Ball

Tour.
Karen Brandman topped the Raren Brandman topped the field at Q-Club with a 3-0 final match vs. Nimmi Soloman. Also landing invitations to WCC action in Long Beach were the third- and fourthplace finishers, Cathy Sutton and Lisa Radler.

Lauren Ward scored an 11-8 win in the finals to score her first women's tour-stop victory, finishing fourth overall. A/C D/C Q-Club captain Toni Macante finished ninth in the 19-player field. Dial JOE-POOL for league information.



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BLOND BOYTOY seeks XXL B/B for worship -fantasy. Cop, Coach, Marine. Be hand fed, bathed & tucked in. Extra large only. EXT 3236

27 Y.O. GAM seeks cute Italian men 27 - 35 for friendship & poss. relationship. EXT 3235

EASTBAY, BWM, 40, 5'8", 130 LBS Fr/A, Gr, P seeks BM, 50 + for regular meetings. You be hung, uncut & extra thick. EXT 3234

HAIRY OLDER CHUBBY, in Somoma City available as Model, Escort or? Anything safe. EXT 3233

SCAT- BOTTOM WANTS young, butch, in shape, Macho Tops. Me: athletic, handsome, blond & rim-chair ready. EXT 3231

TALL DARK & HANDSOME. I'm 37, blond, handsome, HIV neg, muscular & tan body. Let's date...Winter is coming. East Bay. EXT

GWM, 38, 165 LBS, 5'9", BR/BR, VERSATILE, HIV pos, into sincere, cute, hairy men looking for love, gym built a plus. Let's get close. EXT 3229

WANTED-HOT, DARK, MASTER-DAD, 28 40, HIV +/-, for hot, HIV neg, 34, 5'10', 150 lbs, bl/bl. I:passive/moldabel, into safe scenes. B/D, Humiliation, Being Kept, etc. Want more in commitment/relationship with successful, passionate, aggressive master. EXT 3228

SWM, 24 Y.O., BL/BL, 6', 175 LBS, Me: vers, musc., 44 x 30, work out daily. Prior military. Golden tan. Live in Fla - soon to Cal. Looking for a great time...poss more EXT 3227

BULGING BICEPTS, MASSIVE CHESTS & super bushy armpits make my nipples hard & my bubble rear accessable. Me: efferminatec, cute, GWM, 28 y.o. w/ hot body into pit worship before surrendering. South Bay EXT 3226

MONTEREY AREA NUDISTWM, 40 y.o., 6*, 160 lbs, seeks other male nudists for friendship-no relationship. Prefer 40-ish or younger. Male nudist social group forming. Also colthing optional living available. EXT 3220

WANTED: ASIAN SEX KITTEN! GWM, 28, 5'10", 225 lbs, goodlooking, masc, romantic-into tennis, movies, & smiles! Seeks gollkng, young, lean & smooth asian guy for wholesome, passionate & monogomous. relationship. Not into gay "scene" but anything for you! EXT 3219

HOT,HUNKY, HISPANIC W/nice body & face to match seeks masc. gdlkng, gymtoned, str/bl/GWM-GLM for uninhibited sex. Tall, B/B, hung , Jocks a pl/s. No femms. EXT 3218

HANDSOME BM, 35, 6'1", 180 LBS, healthy HIV reg, honest, humorous, educated, enjoys the outdoors, movies. Seeks attrc, GWM, 27-37, wth similar interests for friendship/poss relationship. LeTs talk. EXT 3217

FUCK BUDDIES - 32, 185 LBS, 5'11", You: masc,Arab/Latin/White (25-40) who will work my tits, then roll over & get plowed. NO Blks, booze, bigots. EXT 3216

ANYONE GOING TO L.A.? No good slaves in L.A. Hot w/Bi Top Master 30 y.o. seeks raked servirude & obedience. Prefer those who want to belong to someone HIV neg. who's all ways horney. Call now, you won't be disapointed. EX

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IOOKING FOR YOUNG CLEAN CUT DUDE into horses. I'm a 40 y.o. blond Top. You: hung with a great rear and likes to be rode. EXT 3211

SLIM, SMOOTH, LONG HAIRED BOY, 23, sks same for "kickboxing" - style D&S games. No wimps, face/body hair, fat old men. Absolutely no sex. EXT 3210

GAM, 40 ISH, 57", 135 LBS, STACHE, Avg looks, big heart, caring, genuine, chr-cut, sks urban cowboy to teach me 2 steppint/dance. You: 58" +, Bl/ any hair, stach, laid back, cin-cut a + . Let's but 2 pair of boots under your/ my/our bed EXT 3208

LL COOL J-MAMA SAID BUST THIS BUTT You: GBM, Big & Bad. Me: GWM hot, tight, & ready for all types of rear play. So bust it. EXT 3207

BI-WM SKS GBMTOOL WORSHIPPER for freindship poss more. I'm 5'11, br/bl, 170 lbs, 33 look 25. You: 27-39, in shape...b/b a plus. Will consider men of color. No fats fems, alcohol, drugs or smokers please. EXT

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GWM, 57". 138LBS,33y.o., LooK 27, into rock,metal, car audio, partying! You: 21-25, metal head W/ brains. No air heads. Let's meet, Moshout & Partyl Interest in concert? Lets go! No fats or fems. EXT 3199

GLM, 28 Y.O. GDLKNG, GYM-TONED romantic & prof. Int. inc. outdoors, dancing, movies & sports. Hiv neg., seeks other gdlkng and gym-toned GWM, 25-35 with sim. int. & enjoy all good things life has to offer. Serious, No Drugs...please. EXT 3198

MODESTO AREA: CUTE MARINE TYPE MODESTO AREA: CUTE MARINE TYPE with hard body and stud but, 59°, 158 lbs, 29 y.o. sks master/top into lite B/D, worship, lite raunch, and public sex. UR. kinky lyig, masc, 30+, love outdoor B/D, Nudity, Sex. Dirty talk a + Norder me nude from car to P/U later. Worship you anywhere...You med. -stocky Blond, Hung, Hairy, Meaty bear Attl. Will Travel. EXT 3197

GWM, 24 Y.O. 6", BL/BR, ATHLETIC, TIGHT, Enjoys tennis & gym. looking for WM Stud for Relationship. Dark Hair a plus. EXT 3196

EAST BAY HUNK Sensual hairy man, ruggedly handsome, healthy, versatile, hung. Light S/M, TT, C.B.T., Bond., Rear. EXT 3194

WANTED: BIG DADDY I'm 55, interested in meeting older men with class who will whip my rear. Ext 3192

26 Y.O. GAM, 5'9", 150 LBS, Interested in meetingyoung GWMwho are in good shape and enjoy having fun. Ext 3191

ASIAN, 26, LOOKING GWM, 25-45, to share quiet evening w/slowdance & hugs, sensual massage w/ TLC. Ext 3189

DOMINANT FILIPINO WANTED by GWM, 34, 6'4", 160 lbs, B/B, hairy bossy, goodlooking. You: masc. Top. Ext 3187

GWM, 38, 5'11", 160LBS, BR/BR, STACH Bright, Very Sexy, No Cig/Booze. SksGBM, 35-45, 6'+. No cig/Pot, & Igt drink OK Please be fit, affectionate, open, honest. Rampant Libido a +. Poss Reltnshp. Ext

32 Y.O. GWM 59°, 160 lbs., straw blnd, attrct, in shape, Hiv Neg., Inter'd in His/Asian Top, 25-35, in shape & mature. Seek friend & relatship as well as sex. Ext 3185

SINCERE AND CARING ASIAN 5'10", 150 lbs, seeks young asian for weekend eks young asian for we nion & more. I like dining, n walks, dancing, sleeping together. quality time with me. Ext 3184

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GWM, 34, BL/BL, husky, seeks Indian, Philipino, Mexican! Me: oral, bottom, like giving massage, tan to dark A+. Ext. 3179

SAN JOSE & SOUTH COUNTY! 28 y.o., 6 180 lbs, GWM, with muscular build, masculine, good looks and friendly. Seeks similar guys for fun and friendship. Must be good looking and in-shape. EXT. 3177

ATTENTION FARM BOYS: BI-MALE, 38, 6', 205 lbs, average build, has backfield that needs plowing regularly. You: 18-25, good build, plowing equipment. Jock Pref. EXT 2132

MATURE BLACKMAN, ATTRACTIVE Mulatto, fifties, stable, 5'11", 185 lbs, hung uncut, thick, HIV-, staying power. Seeks any race, age, interested in friendship or more. Give me a call!! Ext. 3169

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HOT, BEARDEDGWM, 48 y.o., great shape, seeks Black or Puerto Rican for friend, hot sex, and poss. relationship. San Jose area. Try it, you won't be sorry. Ext. 3162

PARTY PIG seeks nasty sleazy guys. Me: 32 y.o., WM. Age/size not important - raunchy wild mind is. Mutual scenes OK. Ext. 3160

5*10",150 lb., bld, GWM, 40's, looks30's, ac 20's, loves to dance, bicycle, hike, backpac x-country ski, go to movies, plays, concert cuddle, and be romantic. Looking for a lor term relationship based on emotional physical intimacy, trust, communication, ar love. Ext. 3155

MEDITERRANEAN GLM interested in meeting hairy, bearded men 25-50, caring, holding, touching, friendship. No relationship intended. Me: handsome, 35 y.o., brubin, hairy, goatee, healthy HIV+, 5' 11', stocky 185 libs. Long hair and tattoos OK, ridhds/blnds a +. No fems, drugs. Ext 3149

28 Y.O. GWM 5' 9", 165 lbs., interested in meeting young Asian or Hisp. men who are in good shape and enjoy life. Ext 3146

I CAN TAKE IT! Colligiate all-amer. boy, 26 y.o., 6', in great shape, lkng for the d..k of death on a realguy (6' or taller, 9" +) You must be gdlkng and in shape. Safe only. Ext. 3145

LATINO/PACIFIC ISLANDER ONLYGBM, HIV-, seeks well built, Bi, blue collar workers (6"+) for c...k worship, j/o, friendship/ relationship. Ext. 3140

YOUNG PROF 28 y.o. GAM seeks GWM, 25-32 y.o. for frndshp. New to Bay Area, 5' 10", 170 lbs., sincere and fun. Ext. 3130

EMPTY YOUR NUTS! down this GBM's throat I'm36 y.o., hot/trim. Will suck youdry! You: hot GWM, 18-35. Come on, call me! Ext. 3128

HOT CHASER NEEDED by horny, chubby GWM, 5'9', 275 lbs., vers., 39 y.o., HIV-. Any race-versatile. I want it! Ext. 3125

ASIAN/LATIN bottoms looking for intense oral/ananl action? Goodlooking, 45 y.o., Italian, 5'7", 150 lbs. gook body & tool... is ready for you. EXT 3124

GWM, 43 Y.O., 5'9", 165 LBS, HIV-, short hair/beard. Seeks Fr/passive guy over 35 y.o.. Private! Discreet! Ext. 3091

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GBM, HANDSOME, 46 Y.O., 5'11", 190 lbs, HIV+, seeks GWM, bottom, submissive, 25-50 y.o.. Trim body, red hair, nice feet, hairy rear a +, as are stache and beards. Don't wait - Call now!! Ext. 3080

WARN, VULNERABLE MALE 27, seeks masc, romaticists to correspond with & poss meet. I enjoy beards & bicepts but emotionally I warm up to honesty & warm hearted individuals. EXT 3062

UNINHIBITED LATINO OR ASIAN TOP wanted by good looking WM, age 27 y.o., blond hair, blue eyes, in good shape with hot rear. You should be good looking, in shape, under 35 y.o. Uncut a plus. Ext. 3032

MASTER SEEKS SLAVE, for permanent relationship, into discipline, humiliation & much more. Me: 41,6'4', 240 lbs, bear type. You: 20-40, smooth, in-shape! Ext. 3025

YOUNG ASIAN, 24 Y.O., 6'1", 180 lbs, interested in relationship with young GWM, who is in good shape and enjoys sports. Ext. 3487

BM, 28, 6', SEEKS WM, 6'+, 30 -50 y.o. for substancially meaningful relationship and intense sexual pleasure. Ext. 3486

ARE YOU 40 Y.O. & OLDER, GWM, HIVtall, muscular, masculine, who considers himself atop and exclusively Fr/P, who likes it long and slow??? Then this 29 y.o. Arab is for you!!! Ext. 3460

BLACK MAN, HOT, TRIM SOUGHT BY GWM, 5'11", 165 lbs, handsome, well endowed, for intense sex. Ext. 3338

IN GREAT SHAPE, 39 y.o., nice Pecs, Tool, tight rear looking for well endowed, any age - need to be Fr/A or Gr/P for long sessions. EXT 11120

LAS VEGAS GUYS I*II be visiting Dec 5 11th. Would like to meet S/M, Top, Master, I'm Ver. 31, 6'< 200 lbs, beard. EXT 11215

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- 'Reno Once Removed': New York's wild feminist performance artist Reno presents a new West Coast premiere. Thru Dec. 21, Wed-Fri. at 8 p.m., Sat. at 8 & 10:30 p.m., Sun. at 7:30 p.m. \$15-20. Eureka Theatre Company, 2730 16th St./Harrison, SF. 558-9898.
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- 'Vegasin Space' (1991): Phillip R. Ford's zany camp sci-fi flick with Doris Fish, Miss X, Tip-pi, Ginger Quest, etc. screens at midnight on Fri. & Sat. at the Lumiere Theatre, 1572 Cali-fornia, SF and on Fri. at the UC Theatre, 2036 University, Berkeley,
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- 'Hard Words' Literary Series: Featuring readings by Dodie Bellamy (Feminine Hijinx) and Christian Huygen (Waiting for Godette). 8 p.m. \$3-5. The LAB Gallery, 1807 Divisadero/Bush, SF. 346-4063.
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- Soviet-American Symposium on Contact with Extraterrestrial Intelligence: Daylong symposium begins at 10 a.m. Wheeler Hall, UC Berkeley Campus. (510) 548-2810.
- Gay & Lesbian Artists' Alliance: Meeting & potluck dinner. 6-9 p.m. Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, 953 DeHaro, SF. Steven, 863-3353.
- Gay Italian-American Club: Michelangeld Society potluck meeting, 7 p.m. MHR Center, lower level, 117 Diamond, SF. 282-3580.

SUNDAY 8

- SF Fringe Riders Benefit: Two-step lesson & dancing, raffles, contests & performances to help the only local women CW dance troupe. 4-9:30 pm. \$3. Just Rewards, 2520 Camino Diablo, Walnut Creek. 256-1200.
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 * 'Deadly Living Legends': Drag cabaret extravaganza starring Jose & J.J. Van Dyck, with George Willey & accompaniment by Denis Moreen. Thru Dec., Sun. at 4 & 6 p.m. Charpe's Grill, 131 Gough, SF. 621-6766.

 * Modern Times Bookstore: Panel discussion with comic artist contributors to Twisted Sisters: A Collection of Bad Girl Art. 7 p.m. Free. 968 Valencia, SF. 282-9246.
- 'Fun to Furious Faminist Video Series #2': Women Against Imperialism presents videos & discussions with various groups on violence against women & body image. 7:30 p.m. \$3-5. La Pena Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck, Berkeley. 849-2568.
- Ram Studios Photography Exhibit: Black & white photo works in progress on view Sunthru Dec., 12-6 p.m. Free, donations accepted. 2187 Market/15th St., SF. 553-8127.
- · Gay & Lesbian Hortiphiles: All welcome to holiday party in Oakland hills private home garden. 3 p.m. 851-1022.
- Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders (GLOE): -3 p.m. Francis of Assisi, 145 Guerrero, SF. 626-7000.
- Lesbian & Gay Parents Group: Sponsored by the Ministry of Light. Bring children & dish for potluck, \$3 max gift for childrens' grab bag.



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MONDAY 9

- Impersonator Jim Bailey: Featuring shows as Phyllis Diller, Judy Garland, Barbra Streisand & himself. Nightly at 8 p.m. Plush Room, York Hotel, 940 Sutter, SF. 885-2800.
- Gay Comedy Open Mike: Maureen Brownsey hosts aspiring gay & lesbian comics who sign up by phone by 7 p.m. Show 8 p.m. \$4, Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St./Market, SF. 861-7933.
- Excerpts from 'Forbidden City' 1991 Talent Celebration Showcase: Contemporary version of the '40s Asian cabaret revue includes takeoffs of Madonna, Prince & Hammer. 7 p.m. \$18-21. The Forum, 177 Townsend/3rd St., SF. 931-0529.
- SF Art Institute Faculty Exhibition: Featuring a reading by Kathy Acker, films by Gunvor Nelson & George Kuchar. 8 p.m. Free. SF Art Institute, 800 Chestnut, SF. 771-7020.
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- Associated Students Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair: Dec. 9-12, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. SF State University Student Union. 338-2444.
- Forbidden Images Gallery: Fine arts holiday exhibit. On view Dec. 6-Jan. 2 in Billy DeFrank Lesbian & Gay Community Center, 175 Stockton, San Jose.
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 6:30-8:30 p.m. 77 Waller, SF. Pat, 626-7000.
- SF Jacks: Club for men who like to jack off with other men. 979-0537.

TUESDAY

- Gay Men's Drop-In Grou health & substance abuse co 5:30-6:30 p.m. Operation C ket, SF. 252-6062.
- Gay & Lesbian Internat Group: Meets weekly in the welcome, no partners neede p.m., dancing 8-9:30 p.m.
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Phillips in Concert: The one dy/music duo whose motto is t polite.'' 8 p.m. \$12. Great Hall, 859 O'Farrell/Polk, SF.

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• Rainbow's End: Support group for lesbian, gay & bisexual youth 23 & under. Drop-in 6:30-7 p.m., group time 7-9 p.m. (510) 457-1115.

• Gay & Lesbian Outreach to Elders (GLOE): Men's friendship group meets at 2:45 p.m. 711 Eddy, SF. 626-7000.

• The Living Room: Social group for people with AIDS/ARC/HIV. Tree trimming night. 6:30-10 p.m. 4035 18th St./Hartford, SF. 252-1150.

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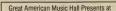
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"I think the question of internalized racism is an impor-tant one, but I don't think it's

tant one, but I don't think it's one that you can be totally moralistic about, and I think there's a lot of moralizing about it out there.

"On the whole, though, I think the main problem with representations of interracial couples, be they gay or straight, is that the relationships are usually patholostraight, is that the relation-ships are usually patholo-gized, and usually somebody has to pay the price for trans-gressing those racial bound-aries. ... I've been in a rela-tionship with Mark Nash, who's white, for about five years, and I think to a certain extent that I've gritten hast extent that I've gotten past the point of having to feel guilty about my desire.

"I think that (editor of the black gay anthology In the Life) Joseph Beam — and I knew Joseph Beam and spoke to him about it — meant his statement that "black men loving black men is the revo-lutionary act of the '80s' to be lutionary act of the '80s" to be taken literally. If people say that black men loving black men is the revolutionary act of the '80s, that's very different than saying black men caring for black men is the revolutionary act of the '80s. What is being postulated is a very essentialist notion of black identity, and that, for me, is very problematic. "Obviously, I am in an interracial relationship, and I am not in agreement with that statement. It is very im-

that statement. It is very imthat statement. It is very important for black men to talk to each other, communicate with each other as gay men, because there are lots of things which are important that we can share because of that we can share because of our experiences, especially with the AIDS crisis, but black men have been doing that. That's what Paris Is Burning is about, at least that's the subtext, the unspo-ken subtext of the "houses"— that they are family, we are family. And all that's great, but what I feel somehow is being stipulated in statements like Beam's is more of an eslike Beam's is more of an es-sentialist idea of black identi-ty."

Sexy, Scary

Garber points out in his introduction that "unfortunately, with a few exceptions such as Clive Barker, Anne Rice and Michael McDowell, horand Michael McDowell, hor-ror writers seem overwhelm-ingly misogynous, anti-sex and homohostile... The stan-dard horror novel glorifies heterosexuality. A virile male, representing the Good, the Pure, the Christian and the Patriarchal, battles an un-positable monstrous deprays. speakable monstrous deprayspeakable monstrous depravity, representing the Evil, the Profane and the Sexually Chaotic, to save a feisty but ultimately helpless female, representing Heterosexual Love and the Family."

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Matt — We met Oct. 6 at Uncle Bert's Place. I left SF w/ a broken heart because I couldn't call you. I lost your phone number. Pls forgive me & call Michael in Tuc-son, AZ. EXT. 2753

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GAM, 30s, lkng for 25-45yo GMs, any race, honest, sincere, clean & gentlemen. EXT. 2760

Skng guys, 25-38yo, for good times & poss rltnshp. EXT. 2761

Attrac GWM btm sks lightweight, domnt tops. I'm 5'11, 160#, 34yo. Under 145# & hairy A+. EXT. 2762

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Hot tight butt needs plowing long & hard. You: attrac, well-hung (9" + thick) & serious. Me: hodsm GLM, 31yo, 5'8, 150#, dark hair & eyes, 'stache, smooth swimmer's bld, 7". Also exclnt ckskr. EXT. 2820

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Gdlkng Pakistani male wants thick white/Latin, 8" + to service. Me: 22yo, smooth, 6" uncut, very hot. Avail a.m. hrs. EXT. 2730 Wanted: smooth-bodied she-male to service in-shape married man, 34yo, hairy body, hungry cock & ass, in E Bay. EXT. 2791

Skng 18yo+, drug-free, together yng man lkng for love from successful, 40yo, healthy, in-shape GWM. EXT. 2792

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I like traveling, dining, music, movies. Lkng for rltnshp w/men 20-35yo. Me: 30yo, fit & safe. EXT. 2780

Antioch-E Bay. I want a hot, horny Latin or Arab who wants a hot mouth & ass. 20-40yo, hairy & uncut A+. EXT. 2781

GLM, 5'5, 140#, btm, lkng for beefy tops to serve on a reg basis. Blk A+. Your place. EXT. 2782

l like getting fucked by big, strapping guys. I'm a GBM, 40yo, gdlkng, well-hung, 6'2. Don't keep me waiting. EXT. 2783

Thai men, any age, wanted to help me practice my Thai, learn more. EXT. 2784

1 + 1 = Happy, attrac WJM, 35yo, 5'11, 160#, sks masc, attrac, normal male for dating & hopefully more. EXT. 2785

Black in the saddle again — Hip Hop to Handel, hiking to Homer. Come share my life. 29yo, 165#, 5'10, musc GBM. EXT. 2786

E Bay — long blnd-haired guy w/musc body sks other attrac HIV- guys for dating. I'm 37yo. EXT. 2787

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Book Brief

Stimulating Experiences

Leathermen Speak Out: An Anthology on Leathersex Edited by Jack Ricardo; Leyland Publications, \$14.95

Leathermen Speak Out: An Anthology on Leathersex is a recommended collection in which leathermen report first-hand their likes and dislikes, the details of their sex play and leather lifestyles.

Using Drummer magazine personals, editor Jack Ricardo solicited responses from over 100 leathermen across the country; 50 of them are included in this book. These men report on their endeavors to create a leather lifestyle as well as their heavy involve. lifestyle, as well as their heavy involve-ment with water sports, fisting, bondage and, most especially, S/M, whose practice is explored in some va-

riety in their different responses.

One drawback, however, is that Ri-

One drawback, however, is that Ricardo leans too greatly on the trappings of masculinity to define manhood. In his defensive afterword, in which he curses effeminate gay men, Ricardo is in deep bullshit with the shortsighted pronouncement that leathermen, largely because of their costume and manly stance, are inherently the most "masculine" of gay men. While effeminate men may not be Ricardo's desired bed partners, they have been as progressive for the gay mindset as leathermen, are equally proud, and in their insistence on the permissibility of sissiness, tap into an undeniably masculine behavior.

Edmund White has pointed out that Genet had a problem with how he could have sex with men, yet not be a homosex-

with how he could have sex with men, yet not be a homosex-ual; this seems to apply to Ricardo's rigid insistence on what constitutes masculinity. Think about it. A leather jock does

not a man make.
With that off my chest, I found the life experiences of these leathermen stimulating and enlightening reading. Ricardo requests responses, to be published in a forthcoming volume.

— John F. Karr



Films

(Continued from page 37)

cussing the works of any of the above as the nations they hail from — the latter the only biographical fact that gets re-

peated emphasis.

Peter Rainer doesn't bring up any of the gay elements in The Last Emperor.

Huffhines fails to take to task any of the homophobia in any of the homophobia in *The Krays*, nor does Richard T. Jameson mention the neg-

ative gay stereotypes in The Road Warrior.
There's an anti-gay backbone to the book that underscores the historical inability of even so-called liberals either to seed to understand ther to accept or understand homosexuality — in artists or members of the general pop-ulation. The errant psycho-analysis is staggering: Sarris attributes Visconti's "misogyny to his homosexuality," and there's no one around to re-fute this blanket statement. This is a credible assessment of the artist who created the indomitable women played by Anna Magnani (Belissima), Claudia Cardinale (The Leopard, Sandra), Silvana Magnano(Conversation Piece), Alida Valli (Senso) and Romy Schnieder (The Job)? By the time one gets to Stephen Schiff's assertion

Stephen Schiff's assertion that "Fassbinder died like a rock star, of drugs and ugly living," one has begun to get a little paranoid. Is one incorrect in assuming that the "ugly living" refers at least in part to the director's homosexuality?

Charles Champlin's het-

Charles Champlin's heterophile ravings in Foreign Affairs offend the most, though. His yearning for a return to the romance of "love between a man and a woman" comes across like nostal-gia for the lost joys of slavery. Truth to tell, I'm less off-

put by slurs on my orienta-tion than by fuzzy, mushy, boring writing. That's this endless compendium's chief and fatal drawback. If it and fatal drawback. If it wends its way into your palms, by all means enjoy the valid sections by Kehr, Rosenbaum, Powers, Sragow, Sheehan, Kael, Glieberman and Carrie Rickey. Think of it as a sampler of these good weiters' upok though this uniters' work though this uniters'. writers' work, though this, un-fortunately, only accounts for about 15 percent of the tome.

Out There

(Continued from page 30) na is plenty pissed at Penny Marshall for cutting a lot of the singer's footage from the women's softball pic A League of Their Own.

'FATHER' PANNED: Monika Treut's My Father Is Coming, which opens here early next year, didn't fare too well in the Nov. 25 Hollywood Reporter, which found it to be "a myopic view of the apparently neverending sexual revolution." Lighten up, it's a fun flick.

CUBIST COLLECTOR REMEMBERED: The De cember Connoisseur carries David Patrick Columbia's story about Douglas Cooper, who died in 1984 leaving behind the world's greatest collection of cubist art to his adopted son and lover, designer Billy McCarty-Cooper, who died of AIDS last year. The paintings, worth \$30 million total, include 38 Picassos, 27 Legers, 17 Grises, and 14 Braques. 14 Braques.

NOT THE GUYS WE KNOW: The current Advertising Age reports on the latest campaign for Bugle Boy jeans. Seems the client wanted shots of guys wearing the product, but the agency, DDB Needham, opted for "steamy shots of scantily clad young women..."
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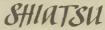
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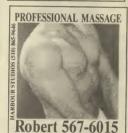
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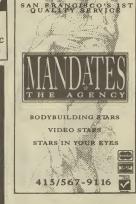
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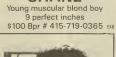
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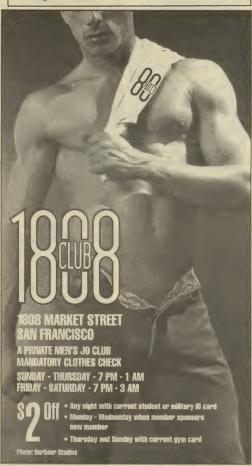
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A Castro **Christmas Tree** After All





Richard Hunter (R.) of Florida's Eagle Leathers is the sole U.S. representative for Fetters of London now housed at Mister S Leathers on Folsom, here with Doug Deal. (Photo: Mr. Marcus)

t my deadline late Monday night, only \$4,239 of the \$6,800 needed for the Castro Monday night, only \$4,239 of the \$6,800 needed for the Castro Christmas Tree has been raised. And thanks to Eureka Leather Co. (\$500), Mister S Leathers (\$500), the new Castro Community & Business Alliance (\$500), Pleasuredome (\$620), Midnight Sun (\$300), Superstar Satellite (\$200), Headquarters Bar (\$200), The Edge (\$100), The Pendulum (\$200), Herth Realty (\$100), Walgreen's (\$100), Patio Cafe (\$100), The Gauntlet Piercing Salon (\$50), Bruce Robinson (\$50), Cafe Lupann's (\$50), Marcello's Pizza (\$30), The Stud Bar (\$100), Castro Station Bar (\$250), Citizen Clothing (\$50), Body Clothing (\$50), Castro Hibachi (\$40), Lorenzo L. Torres (\$25), Mercury Mail Order (\$200) and Creative Color of California (\$100), the tree will be raised for the community to enjoy this weekend for the holidays.

I find it incomprehensible that the people who own and earn megabucks from the Castro Street Fair haven't donated a dimel But community spirit is not dead in the Castro and many other businesses and individuals will donate to the cause. Look at the above list of donors and patronize those businesses. Bravo!

vo!

Volunteers are needed most of the day Saturday, Dec. 7, to raise and decorate the tree, so call 648-FAIR if you can help. Sunday evening, Dec. 8, around 1700, Jim Bailey will appear as well as the Gay Men's Chorus for the lighting ceremony. If you can't afford to donate to the cause, you might consider. cause, you might consider bringing canned foods for the AIDS Food Bank. Boxes will be provided to drop off your

donations for Christmas din-ners for the needy. Hope to see all of you there. Thanks to SMMILE and all the volunteers who are helping with this project.

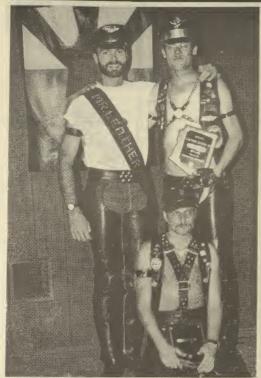
Another new bar South of Market. Due to open some-

time between Dec. 10 and 15 at Ninth and Howard, Cocktails the bar will make its debut just in time for the holiday season. Former day season. Former Chicagoan and longtime bar aficionado, Tony Linardi, is the new manager. Tony's last stint South of Market was at the Watering Hole. Cocktails



Another example of the hot men who congregate at the Eagle beer busts on Sundays — usually a benefit for a local charity.

Mr. Marcus



Arizona Leather Daddy Ron Kramer (Standing Right) and Arizona Leather Daddy's Boy (Kneeling) Dale Lindsay named recently with Mr. Arizona Leather (L.) Dino Rosie.

will be serving lunch at first and brunches on weekends and dinners later, and they and diffiners later, and they have a fabulous dance area in the basement. And who owns it, you ask? Rick Redewill, also the proprietor of the Lone Star Saloon. You're gonna love it!

Are you aware that when Are you aware that when you have your car washed at the station on the corner of 16th and S. Van Ness, they donate \$2 to the AIDS Emergency Fund? Keep your vehicle looking spiffy and help the AEF. Client intake increases daily, so every little bit is appreciated!

Here's what's shaking in the coming days so take your pick:

the coming days so take your pick:

Friday, Dec. 6: "Over the Rainbow" beer/soda bust benefit for the Castro Christmas Tree, 2000-2300 tonight at the Eagle and only \$8. Your hosts: Ms./Mr. SF Leather J.C. Collins and Mitch Johnson. The emcees are Shan Carr, Lenny Broberg and Shelly Summers. The dazzling Rainbeau will perform. Mr. Chubby Bill Weaver will play Santa, and there will be a 50/50 raffle. Don't miss it!

Saturday, Dec. 7: Volunteers needed to put up the Castro Xmas Tree today. Call 648-FAIR and volunteer. Brawn, brains and biceps needed.

Bay Area Brigade, American Uniform Association for

needed.

Bay Area Brigade, American Uniform Association formal evening Christmas dinner and dance tonight at Chez Mollet at 1900. Formal uniform wear a "must." It's \$35 a head, and if you call 252-9546, maybe you can join those spiffy dudes. Give Mr. Lenny a hug.

a hug.

Sunday, Dec. 8: Town
meeting to organize the 1993
March on Washington today
at 1400, 100 Collingwood St.
The march is April 25, 1993,
and there will be a huge
leather contingent again. For
more info, call (510) 655-4486.

Tree lighting ceremony at Tree lighting ceremony at 5-ish today; megastar Jim Bai-ley will appear, and the Gay Men's Chorus will perform. Much hoopla, dish and politicians, of course! Lights go on as soon as it gets dark, so drag your current "squeeze" or domestic partner out and celebrate the occasion with your friends.

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Last day to bid on those beautiful entries in the final Shades Project of 1991; high bidders will be notified. The project benefits the AIDS Emergency Fund and thanks for all your support.

Tuesday, Dec. 10: NLA dinner and movie at the Eagle at 1900 tonight. On the screen: Fantasia. plus grub

screen: Fantasia, plus grub by Jacqui Jewels and Shelley — all for only \$5! Give Rena Davis a hug. She's a hard worker.

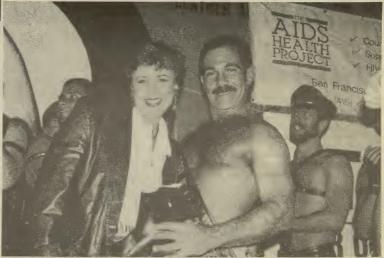
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Other Important Dates: The 15 Association beer/soda bust at the Eagle to benefit the AIDS Emergency Fund— \$8 with Alan Selby emceeing, guest auctioneers and celebrity surprises on Saturday, Dec.
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around town, The 15 Association is alive and well.
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KQED-TV (Ch. 9) personality Ginger Casey presented a rubber boot to Mr. Safesex '91 Joe Fiorentino the night he won the title. Joe receives another accolade from Sup. Roberta Achtenberg at the Castro Christmas Treelighting ceremony this Sunday, Dec. 8. (Photo: Mr. Marcus)



Lenny Broberg (center) is one of the emcees at the "Over the Rainbow" benefit for the Castro Christmas tree at the Eagle, Friday night, Dec. 6; shown here with Mr. Drummer Woody Bebout and "Iron" Mike Pereyra.



Thanks to Everyone

Many thanks to the staff of Lily's and to Steve and Gene and Tina Tanner for the great birthday party for Jose, Lenny Mollet and yours truly last week. It was fabulous, with great food by Dennis Tyler and a great show with Mame as the emcee. Thanks to the crowd of well-wishers there and to all who helped me celebrate at Gilmore's on Sunday.

Did you know that twice the other day Bella was mistaken for Jose? I don't know who

should be more upset.
Lucy and Steve from Port-land wish to thank Michael
and Jeffery of the Giraffe for a

and Jeffery of the Giraffe for a fun evening.

Memorial services for Fred
Skau will be Dec. 7, 1 p.m., at
the St. Francis Lutheran
Church, 152 Church St., SF.
Scoop: Michael Greer's
show will play at the Blue
Muse Dec. 17-22, so make your
reservations early as Michael's
show is great.

Now at Company on California Street, Bob Tanquay, a.k.a.
Bo Peep, is on the plank Tuesday thru Thursday from noon

that Huntsday Holl Hoom to 8 p.m. Drop by and say hi. The Most Holy Redeemer support group for AIDS raised \$10,000 in four hours at their



Roxy and Darcelle of Darcelle's XV, Portland

annual Casino nite. Congrats to Durwood and the entire group. Don't forget Tatiana's Satur

day nite show at Kimo's. Ta-tiana has raised lots of money for AIDS with her First Satur-

day shows every month.

The Gangway on Larkin
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and Mr. Music, John Wise, who

and Mr. Music, John Wise, who is celebrating 22 years on the plank at the Gangway.

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Mr. Chubby II Contest at the Watering Hole on Sunday, Feb. 9, to benefit Intl. Ms. Leather. And later on in the year, it's the International Mr. Chubby Contest here when the International Chubbic corries for their service. bies arrive for their convention!

They're gearing up in Syd-ney, Australia, already for the Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Festival — it's official name.
Actually, the event goes from
Feb. 7 through March 1, the
big parade and party taking
place the weekend of Feb. 28

Hundreds of thousands of tourists from around the world join the Aussie gay and

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lesbian community in a stu-pendous production. The pro-gram for the event arrived at my office this past Monday, and it's packed with the en-tire list of events, maps, tips on what to expect, and tons of on what to expect, and tons of useful and necessary information. There's even a gay and lesbian film festival along with numerous athletic and cultural events. Many of you have been to this event, and we've all heard the wild tales about your experiences.

And speaking of Australia, the Mr. Australia Drummer Contest also takes place in Sydney this year, the weekend of April 27-May 3. If you're planning to attend either of these events, I suggest you contact your travel agent immediately.

And don't say you don't know anybody in Sydney. Mr. Drummer Clive Platman and Drummer Boy John Siracusa have returned there to live, and they'd love to see your shink faces. Think about

live, and they'd love to see your shiny faces. Think about it. If you need info direct from the koala's mouth, write

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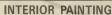
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